

OHIO C.I.O. TELLS F.D.R. OF MASS HUNGER

Red Army In Steady Advance on All Fronts

Move Up 30 to 80 Miles on All Sectors Against White Guards

(Special to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Dec. 21.—Three weeks after the start of its march of liberation into Finland, the Red Army today had advanced from 30 to 80 miles from the Soviet-Finnish frontier on all sectors of the front. With the vanguard units consolidating their positions and other forces rapidly strengthening communications, military activity on the land during the past few days has been mainly restricted to patrol activities and reconnaissance operations.

On the Karelian Isthmus, northwest of Leningrad, Soviet troops held a line extending from the Taipale River sector on the shores of Lake Ladoga to a point on the coast of the Gulf of Finland midway between Terijoki and the fortress port of Kolvisto (Bjorkoe). Here the Soviet artillery hammered at the zone of fortifications built in Finland under the supervision of British General Staff officers in preparations for use of Finland as a base of anti-Soviet war operations.

North of Lake Ladoga the Soviet forces were near the Sorvala railway junction. From there northward the line held by the Soviet troops passed along the eastern edge of the lake country.

In Central Finland the Red Army has made its greatest penetrations, columns moving from Ukhita, in Soviet Karelia, having advanced more than 80 miles since they crossed the frontier.

The Soviet troops have always advanced about 60 miles southward from the Arctic port of Petsamo (Pechanga), in the far north, after having taken the village of Salmijarvi.

Gannes Continues To Improve

Further improvement in Harry Gannes' condition was reported at the Jewish Hospital, Brooklyn, last night.

Fever was down and the patient was mentally alert, though extremely weak.

Gannes was stricken from pneumonia last Sunday after a five-hour operation the preceding day.

He was recently indicted on a flimsy passport charge as part of the Department of Justice's drive against the Communist Party and the Daily Worker.

Friends Tell Day-to-Day Incidents in Stalin's Life

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Dec. 21.—The modesty, warmth, friendliness and good humor of Joseph Stalin are remarked on in personal sketches of Stalin in the Soviet press written by Soviet citizens in various walks of life whose paths crossed his.

One such sketch tells of the time when Stalin spent four long and difficult years in exile in the Arctic region. Between 1913 and 1916, the peasants of the village of Kureika came to know the Georgian revolutionary, Joseph Vissarionovich Jughashvili, quite well, and were thrilled when in the following year they came to know him as Joseph Stalin, the Bolshevik leader.

Ivan Saltikov, one of those Kureika peasants and now a collective farmer, relates how Stalin lived—in hunger and cold, feeding on fish he caught himself, on game he hunted himself, giving medical aid to the peasants for whom he was the best friend, sharing his last crust of bread with them, singing and dancing with the young people.

In the peasant family with whom Stalin lived, Saltikov writes, there were five boys and two orphan girls.

Paterson A.F.L. and C.I.O. Unions Form 'Keep Out of War' Committee; Booth Collects Signatures for Petition to Congress

PATERSON, N. J., Dec. 21.—The "Paterson Citizens Committee to Keep America Out of War," organized by local unions of both the AFL and CIO, have set up a "Peace Booth" in front of the City Hall today and will begin collecting signatures for a New Year's message to the President and Congress.

The booth, which will be open throughout the holidays, will be conducted each day by one of the participating unions. The signatures will be attached to a vast New Year's card, addressed to President Roosevelt and the 77th Congress, whose message reads:

"We, the people of Paterson, have made the following New Year's resolution—The Yanks Are Not Coming Again! The People Want Jobs, Peace and Democracy. We demand that you keep America out of the War and protect the Bill of Rights."

Supreme Soviet Awards Stalin 'Hero of Labor'

183,000,000 United People Mark 60th Birthday of Lenin's Co-Worker and Successor; Awards to Arts, Science, Students Made

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Dec. 21.—Joseph Stalin, General Secretary of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, today was honored by the entire Soviet Union—183,000,000 people triumphantly building socialism—on his 60th birthday.

The Presidium of the Supreme Soviet of the U.S.S.R. conferred upon him the title of "Hero of Socialist Labor" and the highest award of the U.S.S.R., the Order of Lenin.

The two awards were made "for outstanding services in the organization of the Bolshevik Party, in the creation of the Soviet state, in building a socialist society in the U.S.S.R. and in strengthening the friendship between the peoples of the Soviet Union."

At the same time the Council of People's Commissars of the U.S.S.R. decided to establish 34 annual Stalin Prizes for outstanding achievements in the arts and sciences, in industrial and agricultural invention and in military science.

Sixteen Stalin Prizes, each of 100,000 rubles (about \$20,000), will be given to artists and scientists.

The prizes in science will be for physics and mathematics, technology, chemistry, biology, agriculture, medicine, philosophy, economics, history and philology, and law; those in the arts for music, painting, sculpture, architecture, and the theatrical arts and motion pictures.

The prizes for invention will include 10 first prizes of 100,000 rubles each, 30 second prizes of 50,000 rubles, and 30 third prizes of 25,000 rubles.

For outstanding achievements in military science three first prizes of 100,000 rubles will be awarded, five second prizes of 50,000 rubles and ten 25,000 ruble third prizes.

4,000 STUDENTS GET STIPENDS
The Council of People's Commissars also established 4,000 monthly stipends for honor students in universities and institutes, totalling 2,500,000 rubles. These will comprise 100 stipends of 1,000 rubles a month for post-graduate students in universities and scientific research.

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Chinese Set To Storm City Of Nanning

SHANGHAI, Friday, Dec. 22 (UP).—Kwangsi Province troops commanded by Gen. Pai Chung-Hsi, one of China's ablest generals, have surrounded Japan's South China base in Nanning and recapture of the strategic communications city is expected shortly, it was announced last night in Chungking.

There were many indications that China will make a determined effort to hold its southwest defense area, which includes Kwangsi and Yunnan Provinces, and is prepared to stage strong counter attacks against the Japanese in this zone.

The Chinese have been preparing an attack on Nanning for more than a fortnight and it was believed this operation might develop into one of the strongest Chinese offensives of the war.

Chungking claimed that more than 20,000 Japanese soldiers in the South Kwangsi city, which was captured by the Japanese last month after a surprise landing from the sea near Pakhoi, were in a hopeless position. All their land communications were cut, it was claimed, and the only supplies they were receiving were in packages dropped from Japanese airplanes.

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Chilean C. P. Congress Gets Mass Greeting

Huge People's Gathering Cheers Opening; Parley Centers Fight on War

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

SANTIAGO, Chile, Dec. 21.—The Eleventh National Congress of the Communist Party of Chile opened its sessions with a great popular gathering in the capital of Chile.

In the name of the Chilean Communist Party, the national chairman, Senator Pablo Laferte, sent warm greetings to the National Congress of Chile, to the President of the Republic, the Popular Front Government, Pedro Aguirre Cerda, and to all State secretaries.

In its opening session, the Congress discussed the grave problems of the moment and the important tasks facing the Congress—tasks like determining the course which will insure peace, liberty and democracy, and national liberation of the country.

The Congress calls for the complete unity of the working class as the only weapon which will bring victories for the Popular Front. The Congress also analyzes the imperialist character of the present conflict between England, France and Germany, pointing out that the task of the Communist Party is to give rapid impetus to the struggle of the people against imperialism and against war, against the trusts, and to strengthen the movement for peace, to consolidate the new victories of the Popular Front.

URUGUAYAN LEADER SPEAKS

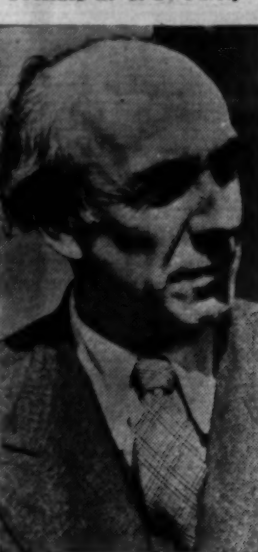
In its opening session the Congress heard the Secretary of the Communist Party of Uruguay, Deputy Gomez, bring fraternal greetings to the Chilean Communist Party. Gomez urged unity of the working class forces throughout the continent to destroy the forces which cause war and imperialism and to achieve the defeat of reaction.

He pointed out that the victories of the Chilean people give hope to the working people of Uruguay as well as to the working people of the entire American continent.

The Secretary of the Communist Party of Argentina, Moretti, also brought fraternal greetings to the Congress. He warned the Communist Party of Chile against the imperialist fence that is being built around the democratic government of Chile.

And, finally, in the name of the Peruvian Communist Party, Eudocio Rabines, greeted the Eleventh National Congress and urged that the development of democracy in Chile be used to fortify the rising democratic movements throughout the Western Hemisphere.

Presides at C. P. Parley



PABLO LAFERTE

Status of Crew Of Nazi Liner Undecided

U. S. Finds Columbus' Seamen Are Also Navy Reserves in War

The status of "distressed seamen" who simultaneously apparently are mobilized reserves in wartime, confronted federal authorities yesterday with a difficult juridical problem as officers and crew of the liner Columbus faced investigations here. State Department experts took part in the hearings which opened this morning before immigration authorities.

"ORDERS ARE ORDERS."

Whether armed or not—unofficial testimony this morning indicated the Columbus carried nothing more offensive than "boxing gloves"—the vessel was part of the Reich's wartime marine, it was pointed out.

The liner acted under German government orders. Her doom, to be burned, sunk and abandoned by her own crew, was ordered by the German Government.

Italian Ship Hits Mine on Dutch Coast

FLUSHING, Netherlands, Dec. 21 (UP).—The Italian steamer Comitas, 3,685 tons, struck a mine in the North Sea near the Dutch coast today and was believed to be sinking.

Two Dutch tugs and two lifeboats put out to rescue the crew of the Italian ship, which was bound for Antwerp.

Morgan Controls 18 Trusts, Probe Finds

Power of Many Major Investment Houses Found Concentrated in One Firm—Income Tax Dodge Told to Investigators

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21 (UP).—Members of the Federal Monopoly Committee contended today that their two-week investigation of 18 leading financiers had disclosed concentration of financial power in J. P. Morgan and Co.

The committee was in recess until Jan. 8, when it will investigate other phases of the investment banking business. Its hearings for the year ended yesterday with the statement by Security and Exchange Commission Attorney Peter R. Neuhem, Jr., that Morgan partners paid no income taxes on about \$4,500,000 of income in 1938 because that income came from tax-exempt securities.

Committee members said the investment banking hearings had two main purposes: To show the manner in which divestment of investment from commercial banking, as required by the Banking Act of 1933, has worked out; and to show where the nation's financial power is concentrated.

The testimony of four Morgan partners, headed by George Whitney, and of other heads of the banking firms on Wall Street, members of the investigating group said, indicates that more financial power and control is concentrated in the Morgan firm than in any other single institution, and that the private banks still have close relations with the underwriting "affiliates."

If conclusions of these two weeks are borne out by later investigations, it was said, the committee may recommend changes in the 1933 banking act to separate further the commercial and investment houses.

Commander of Spee Buried in Argentina

BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 21 (UP).—Capt. Hans Langsdorff, commander of the scuttled German pocket battleship Admiral Graf Spee who committed suicide, was buried today in the German cemetery.

Honors corresponding to his rank were rendered by the Argentine Navy. A battalion of marines and a band accompanied the cortege to the cemetery from the naval arsenal where Langsdorff's body lay in state.

Mother of 7 Killed

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Dec. 21.—A mother of seven children was killed while returning from a Christmas shopping trip today, hurled out of an automobile when it struck a pole. She was Mrs. Martha Sedorus, 38.

Harrington Won't Ask For More WPA Funds

CIO Leader Says Monkeys in Ohio's Zoos Get More Than Unemployed

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 21.—John Owens, president of the Ohio CIO Council, informed President Roosevelt today that the relief crisis throughout Ohio continues very grave.

After leaving the White House, Owens said he had told the President that "The relief problem in Ohio is not solved."

He declared that Cleveland and Toledo are simply the most "spectacular examples" of a situation that appears to be state-wide.

Owens said that "the need for relief is as great and the suffering as severe in southeastern Ohio counties, such as Guernsey, Athens, Perry and Scioto where the monthly grant is less than the maintenance provided for monkeys in Ohio's municipal zoos."

The Ohio CIO head severely lambasted Governor Bricker of that State for "inhumanity" and "calculated indifference" for refusing to appropriate State funds to aid the needy unemployed.

He said that the President had told him that he would send Army soup kitchens to Ohio if necessary to prevent starvation of those who could not obtain sufficient relief.

Owens reported that the President had told him that it was the policy of the federal government to prevent any one from starving in the United States.

Despite this general promise, it was again made plain today that the administration will not provide additional WPA jobs to meet the emergency in Ohio and elsewhere.

HARRINGTON WON'T ASK FOR MORE

At his press conference this afternoon, Col. F. C. Harrington, WPA Commissioner, repeated his statement that the Administration will not ask for a deficiency appropriation from Congress when it meets on Jan. 3.

"I have no intentions of asking for a deficiency appropriation," Harrington said. "I intend to ap-

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Sweden Sends 37 Planes to Aid White Guards

HELSINKI, Dec. 21 (UP).—Thirty-seven Swedish warplanes, including bombers, were reported tonight to have entered service with the Finnish (White Guard) air force, but the report lacked official confirmation.

Nearly 10,000 Swedes released from military service in Sweden also were reported to have arrived in Finland to join the (White Guard) fighting forces.

The 'Hospital Atrocity' Fraud--A Trick to Trap America

The clumsiest and rawest "atrocity" propaganda since the last World War was flung into the face of the American people last night and this morning by the entire American press.

We refer to the screaming headlines of alleged "hospital bombings" of Helsinki by Soviet aviators.

These stories are a palpable fraud from beginning to end. They are as fraudulent as the first stories of the Helsinki bombings. They are as fraudulent as the faked photos which appear in the press everywhere.

Let any honest intelligence examine these "hospital bombing" reports. Their flimsy, blown-up phrases fall away at the first touch of reason or inquiry.

The press cannot agree on a single detail. The press tries to hide that whatever bombings took place occurred not in Helsinki proper but in the fortified areas outside of Helsinki.

The Hearst press carelessly admits that "the hospital" was "on the outskirts." But what is "on the outskirts"? Why does the press not tell? Immense fortifications and airdromes, built with the help of British engineers, generals, and loans.

The newspaper "hospitals" are weird inventions altogether. The first reports said that no one was in them. Subsequent reports said that "only ten serious cases remained" in them. Of these, the New York Post says "some deaths were reported likely." But the United Press refutes this and says "only two persons were known to be wounded in the capital."

The first headlines said "Hospital Zone Bombed." But that didn't sound horrendous enough, so the editors changed it quickly to "Hospitals Bombed" and the American public was given an impression of sick people being wantonly attacked—a complete and utter falsehood from the first word to the last even on the basis of their own lying dispatches.

The truth is that these "hospitals" are empty buildings completely evacuated, as the press itself admits, and situated directly amid important military fortifications far outside the city of Helsinki.

The newspapers collide clumsily with each other in their falsehoods. Mr. Webb Miller has been telling us of the "large crowds of Christmas shoppers in Helsinki"—the International News Service last night told us of the "largely deserted capital." Which is it? The liars refute each other.

The "atrocity" frauds of the World War are being revived and surpassed.

Let the reason of the American people be on guard against the new trickery which the war-makers are now hatching behind the latest newspaper "atrocities."

Dimitrov Hails Stalin as Embodiment of Strength of Workers

Communist International Greetings Stalin On Birthday

Executive Committee in Ardent Message, Hails Bolshevik Leadership

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)
MOSCOW, Dec. 21.—Following the message of greetings sent to Joseph Stalin today on the occasion of his 60th birthday by the Executive Committee of the Communist International:

To the leader, teacher and friend of the working people of the world: To you, dear Comrade Stalin, the great leader, sage teacher and supremely beloved friend of the working people of the world, the Executive Committee of the Communist International conveys its ardent Bolshevik greetings on the occasion of your 60th birthday.

Your glorious and heroic path as a dauntless revolutionary, a great theoretician and leader of the socialist revolution, serves and shall always serve as a splendid example for the proletarian revolutionaries of all countries.

From the small underground revolutionary circles in Transcaucasia through prison and exile, through the stormy years of revolution and civil war, through the difficult years of struggle against economic devastation, you carried aloft the banner of Marx, Engels and Lenin, and under this banner you have led the working class to the triumph of socialism on one sixth of the world.

LENIN'S COMRADE IN ARMS

Together with Lenin, at the head of the Bolshevik Party, you led the working class of Russia to the victory of the great socialist revolution which, for the first time in history, has transformed the exploited and oppressed into the sovereign masters of their own destiny, into the builders of the new socialist society.

The victory of the working class of the land of Soviets strengthens the faith of the workers of the world in their own forces, imbues them with bright hope and inspires all working people to take up the struggle against their exploiters.

Under Lenin's and your leadership, Comrade Stalin, the land of Soviets has become a powerful and impregnable bulwark of the movement of emancipation of the workers, farmers and enslaved nations of the whole world.

Everywhere, in every corner of the earth, the oppressed and disinherited, when they rise against their oppressors, inscribe on their banners the names of Lenin and Stalin.

ENEMY OF LENIN'S DISTORTION

The Communist International grew, gained strength and developed on the basis of the immortal doctrine of Marx, Engels and Lenin, on the basis of your own works of genius and the great historical experience of the Bolshevik Party.

You defended the Bolshevik Party and the Communist International against the multitude of enemies who sought to distort Lenin's doctrine and divert us from Lenin's path; you enriched, supplemented and developed the great doctrine of Lenin in conformity with the new conditions of the class struggle of the international proletariat.

From you, Comrade Stalin, the Communists of all countries learned and learn supreme devotion to the working class cause which you have saved for more than 40 years and to which you are prepared to "devote all your strength, all your faculties and, if need be, all your blood to the very last drop."

From you, Comrade Stalin, the Communists learned and learn to work tirelessly to strengthen their contacts with the working class masses, self-sacrificingly to defend their day-to-day interests and with supreme devotion to fight for the triumph of socialism throughout the world.

UNSURPASSED SKILL

From you they learned and learn adherence to lofty Bolshevik principles and to place the interests of the cause of Communism above everything else.

From you they learned and learn profound hatred for all enemies of the working class, and Bolshevik relentlessness towards the Social-Democratic and other agents of the bourgeoisie in the working class movement.

From you they learned and learn unsurpassed skill in Bolshevik strategy and tactics; ability soberly to appraise the alignment of class forces, combined with fearless Bolshevik daring.

From you they learned and learn firmness in pursuing their aim, tenacity which surmounts any and every obstacle, and flexible tactics necessary in carrying out decisions adopted.

From you they learned and learn never to be conceited over successes and never to succumb to panic in



Historic Photo Shows Lenin and Stalin in 1924

moments of difficulty or temporary reverses.

From you the Communists of all countries learned and learn to be true to the end to the cause of proletarian internationalism, the highest manifestation of which is the victory of socialism in the U. S. S. R. From you they learned and learn that effective proletarian internationalism which welds the working people of all countries, nations and races into fighting legions.

FRUSTRATED MUNICHMEN

From you the Communists learned and learn how to fight against imperialist war, for peace, for the happiness and freedom of the peoples. For many years your prudent policy, Comrade Stalin, saved mankind from the new imperialist war which menaced it.

When the dark forces of capitalism unleashed their criminal war, you did not allow the imperialist robbers to involve the Soviet people in this bloody carnage; you thereby defended the cause of peace and frustrated the efforts of the warmongers to plunge many European nations into this war.

You heeded the voice of the working people of the Western Ukraine and Western Byelo-Russia languishing under a foreign yoke and on your noble initiative the Soviet people fraternally extended a helping hand to them.

When the plutocratic clique of the Mannenheims and Tanagers embarked on war provocations against the U. S. S. R. when the working people of Finland established their own People's Government, the Soviet people, under your leadership, responded to the call of the Finnish and came to their aid in the struggle against their hangmen, the agents of French imperialism.

TEACHINGS INTO DEEDS

Millions of working people the world over support and shall continue to support the policy of the Soviet Union which is inspired by you, for this policy conforms to their interests and facilitates their struggle for emancipation.

They know that you, Comrade Stalin, have no other aims save that of serving the emancipation of humanity, that you have no other life than that devoted to the well-being and happiness of the working people.

The Communists of all countries, expressing the sentiments and thoughts of millions of people, vow to you, our dear and beloved Comrade Stalin, that they will transform your great teachings into deeds and will devote all their strength to achieve the triumph of Communism, to the cause of Lenin and Stalin.

May the immortal doctrine of Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin live and conquer!

May Comrade Stalin, the great leader and teacher of the international proletariat, live many, many years, to the joy of the working people!

(Signed)

Executive Committee of the Communist International.

Repair Mines In West Ukraine

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

LVOV, U.S.S.R., Dec. 21.—In the Lvov, Stanislov and Ternopol regions there are rich mines of lignite which have been abandoned in recent years. The Ukrainian Peoples Commissariat of the local fuel industry has undertaken to repair the abandoned mines and organize new ones to supply fuel to local industry.

Most of the mines are unfit for operation and the mining of local coal must actually be begun anew. Among the new mines to be sunk, two in Rava-Ruska will have an aggregate output of 75,000 tons. A mine eight kilometers from the town of Zolochiv and a mine in the Trembovsk district will have an annual output of 25,000 tons each. Two mines in the Kremens district will produce 50,000 tons each.

Friends Tell Day-to-Day Incidents in Stalin's Life

He Shared the Life of the People; Sang and Danced with the Peasant Youths, Engaged in Sports; Routed Czar's Police

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not for an individual outstanding

airman like Kokkinaki.

CLEAR INSIGHT

"Stalin," Ilyushin added, "constantly taught us to work collectively. 'One should not attempt to do everything oneself,' he said."

The famed Soviet academician, A. Bach, told of a conference which he requested with Stalin when a difficult question bothered him. "From the very first," he said, "I was astounded at the remarkable, the epic simplicity in Comrade Stalin's approach. While I spoke, he listened attentively, asking questions once in a while. When I finished, Comrade Stalin very calmly summarized my report, noted the sections which he recognized as correct and the other sections where my unfamiliarity with the facts led me to wrong conclusions."

"His remarks were extremely clear and convincing. I left reassured, taking away with me the feeling of joyous satisfaction which every sincere Soviet citizen experiences after a meeting with Comrade Stalin."

ENGINEER'S STORY

An interesting story is told by the famed Soviet engineer S. Zhuk, who built the Volga-Moscow canal and is now building the huge hydro-electric power project on the Volga River.

More than 20 years before, when Stalin headed the defense of Tsaritsyn, Zhuk, then in charge of a preliminary survey of the route of a Volga-Don canal, complained to Stalin that his subordinates were being mobilized for defense needs. Stalin's reply, Zhuk relates, was short and crisp: "We shall dig the canal after we have drowned the Cadets [White-Guard monarchists] in the Volga and Don."

Relating how Stalin supervised socialist construction, Zhuk writes: "A group of young engineers made a proposal on construction of the Moscow-Volga canal. The old, conservative engineers opposed the boldness of the new proposals, fearing the risk and responsibility."

"Where were the young engineers to turn for assistance? To Stalin. And Stalin wrote on their report, 'I support the new proposal. These few words decided the matter and the future showed the complete correctness of this decision.'"

SPORTS FOR RELAXATION

The well-known Soviet airplane designer, Sergei Ilyushin, writes: "Whenever I think of Comrade Stalin, I think of him above all as a simple, sincere man."

When Ilyushin met Stalin for the first time at his country home near Moscow, an important conference was being held on questions of the naval air force.

During a recess, Stalin invited those present to go into the park and play a game of "gorodki," a popular Russian outdoor game in which a club similar to a baseball bat is thrown at smaller pins. During the game, Ilyushin relates, Stalin seemed to forget completely the important questions of state being discussed at the conference.

All his attention was centered on the game, with Stalin and Defense Commissar K. Voroshilov on one side and Ilyushin on the other with a naval expert named Baranov. After resting Stalin again set to work and conferred far into the night.

"The remarkable thing about him," Ilyushin says, "is that he always sees the living, ordinary man behind every work of technique, behind the most complex machine. He told me, 'Planes should be designed for the average aviator and

Laud Stalin as 'Continuer of Lenin's Work'

C.C. of C.P.S.U. Greet Great Proletarian Leader on His Birthday

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)
MOSCOW, Dec. 21.—Following is the message of greetings sent to Joseph Stalin today by the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union:

To Comrade Stalin, the great continuer of Lenin's work:

Dear friend and comrade-in-arms, on the occasion of your 60th birthday, the Central Committee of the Bolshevik Party sends ardent greetings to you, the friend of Lenin and the great continuer of his work, the leader of the Party and the Soviet people.

You have served the proletarian revolution, the cause of the working class and all working people, for more than 40 years. You were Lenin's true fighting companion in his struggle for the Party and for the proletarian dictatorship. For many years, at Lenin's side, you built and forged the mighty Bolshevik Party. Together with Lenin you led the Party and the working class to the armed uprising of October, 1917.

INSPIRER—ORGANIZER

As Lenin's closest helper you directly guided all the preparations for the October uprising and the successful conquest of power by the working class. In the years of civil war, you fought to defend our country against the foreign invaders and the bourgeois-landlord White Guards, you, Comrade Stalin, under Lenin's leadership were the direct inspirer and organizer of the victories of the Red Army on all battlefronts where the fate of the Revolution was being decided.

After Lenin's death the Bolshevik Party, under your wise leadership, surmounted the tremendous difficulties on its path and brought our country to the victory of socialism.

The contemptible enemies of the people, the Trotskyites, Zinovievites and Bukharinists, sought to crush in the working class and the Soviet people confidence in the possibility of the victory of socialism in our country and repeatedly attempted to undermine our Party from within, to destroy the unity of the Bolshevik Party and to wreck the Soviet power and the socialist revolution.

BUILT SOCIALISM IN ONE COUNTRY

The Central Committee and the entire Party rallied under your leadership in a persistent principled struggle against the enemies of socialism and the Party, in the struggle for Leninism. You defended the Leninist theory of the possibility of the victory of socialism in a single country, developed this great theory further and armed with it the million-masses of the working people of the Soviet Union—thus ensuring the export of the revolution.

Under your leadership the Bolshevik Party accomplished the socialist industrialization of the country, established new industrial centers and districts, first-class factories of heavy and light industry, powerful machine-building works, thus ensuring the technical reconstruction of the entire national economy and arming the U. S. S. R. with the most modern means of defense.

Under your leadership the Party accomplished such a profound revolutionary change in the country as total collectivization and the elimination of the kulaks (rich farmers) as a class, thus securing on the basis of the victory of the collective farm system a cultured and prosperous life for the many million peasants.

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ABOLISHED EXPLOITATION

Our country has become a mighty industrial power, a land of large-scale collective farming, a land of socialism victorious. On the basis of these achievements, a rapid cultural development of the peoples of the Soviet Union is under way. There has been created a Soviet intelligentsia which is devoted to the Soviet power and the cause of socialism.

Under your leadership, the Party and the Soviet people created a mighty and invincible Red Army armed with first-class fighting equipment and constituting a reliable defense of our fatherland against all foreign enemies.

Under the leadership of the Bolshevik Party, the working class in alliance with the peasantry abolished once and for all the exploitation of man by man and established the new socialist system in the U. S. S. R. which knows neither crisis nor unemployment and secures a steady rise of material well-being and culture for the working people.

This, the chief result of our struggle, is of epochal importance and enhances the confidence of the working people of the entire world in the triumph of socialism. Under your remarkably active and direct leadership our Party

Teachings Show Way To Ultimate Victory, C. I. Leader Declares

From Stalin Workers Learn to Understand Their Independent Role in Winning and Building the Socialist World of Tomorrow

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)
MOSCOW, Dec. 21.—George Dimitrov, General Secretary of the Communist International, today hailed Joseph Stalin as the gifted leader of the world working class in an article entitled "Stalin and the International Proletariat" printed in today's Pravda.

"There is no other man who enjoys such firm confidence and authority in the ranks of the working class movement, in the ranks of the working people of all countries as Stalin, the brilliant perpetrator of the work of Marx, Engels and Lenin," Dimitrov wrote.

"Millions of persons throughout the world see in Stalin, in his teachings, in his leadership, the embodiment of the all-conquering strength of the Bolshevik Party and of the revolutionary theory of Marxism-Leninism, the embodiment of the all-conquering strength of the working class."

"The working class of the capitalist countries," Dimitrov continued, "are learning and will continue to learn from Stalin the Bolshevik art of how to carry on the struggle so as to defeat the class enemy."

THEORY FOR ACTION

Characterizing Stalin's activity as "the embodiment of creative Marxism," Dimitrov declares that Stalin "teaches the Communists to base their strategy and tactics on living reality, to see theory not as a collection of abstract dogmas but as a guide to action."

The workers of the capitalist countries are also learning from Stalin to understand the big role of the working-class party, learning that a task of prime importance for the working class of the capitalist countries is to hammer out a truly revolutionary party, a party of a new type."

Dimitrov quoted Stalin's article in 1925, "On the Perspectives of the German Communist Party and Bolshevization" to show that meaning of building a party of a new type and the way to build it.

"The Communists," Dimitrov said, "will put into the practice of the Communist movement Stalin's principles of Bolshevization."

After declaring that Social Democracy has become an instrument to suppress the working class, an instrument of reaction, imperialist war and the counter-revolution.

created a mighty multinational Soviet state, strengthened the great and indestructible friendship of the peoples of the U. S. S. R., which is the guarantee of their prosperity and invincibility.

The new Constitution of the U. S. S. R., the constitution of victorious socialism and developed socialist democracy, has justly been named the Stalin Constitution by the people.

Like Lenin, you, Stalin, always attached the greatest importance to the development and propagation of revolutionary theory. Your classical theoretical works which have become known to millions in the Soviet country and the entire world, constitute a further development of Marxism-Leninism in the new conditions of the epoch of imperialism and proletarian revolutions, the epoch of the victory of socialism on one-sixth of the world. You developed the Marxist-Leninist theory of the state and elaborated the doctrine of the socialist state in the conditions of capitalist encirclement.

While arming the Party with Marxism-Leninism, you tirelessly consolidated it organizationally which the Stalinist unity of our Party was achieved. One of the splendid achievements of the Bolshevik Party, attained thanks to your solicitude and leadership, is the rapid development of cadres and the promotion of many thousands of new works in socialist construction and the defense of the land of socialism.

Today our Party and the peoples of the Soviet Union, who greet you on your 60th birthday, are united as never before around the banner of Lenin-Stalin, prepared for further struggle for the complete victory of communism.

Long live the invincible Bolshevik Party, the Party of Lenin and Stalin!

May you live many years, our dear Stalin, to the happiness of the Party, the working class, the peoples of the Soviet country and the whole world!

(Signed) Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union (Bolsheviks).



GEORGE DIMITROV

to be a real Leninist, a real Stalinist. Every day sees the Leninist-Stalinist cohort of proletarian figures which constitute the treasure store of the world working-class movement, growing, extending and rising up in all parts of the world."

Dimitrov concludes his article:

"The Bolsheviks know that victory will never come of itself, that it needs to be prepared and won. To learn creative Marxism from Stalin, to learn how to build the Bolshevik Party from Stalin, to learn from Stalin how to strengthen the bonds with the masses under all conditions, to learn from Stalin how to struggle against Social-Democracy, to learn revolutionary daring and revolutionary realism from Stalin, to learn from Stalin to be fearless in battle and ruthless to the class enemy, to learn from Stalin how to unbending will to overcome all difficulties and conquer the enemy, to learn from Stalin how to be true to the last to the cause of proletarian internationalism—these are the most important conditions for preparing and winning the victory of the working class."

Supreme Soviet Names Stalin 'Hero of Labor'

(Continued from Page 1)

search institutes who are preparing for the Candidate of Science degree (equivalent to a Ph.D. in the U. S. S. R.), and 50 stipends of 1,500 rubles a month for students for the doctorate at the Academy of Sciences.

Today Pravda, the central organ of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, appeared in 12 pages, double the usual size, and was devoted wholly to the Stalin anniversary.

Stalin's closest friends and comrades, tried Bolsheviks and leaders of the socialist state, wrote articles reflecting the amazing breadth of Stalin's activities.

Marshal of the Soviet Union Klement Voroshilov, the People's Commissar of Defense, wrote on Stalin as the strategist and army leader of the proletarian revolution, and Vyacheslav Molotov, the Chairman of the Council of People's Commissars, on Stalin as the continuer of Lenin's work and teachings.

LAUDED FOR CONSTITUTION

Lazar Kaganovich, leader of heavy industry and transport, wrote on Stalin, "the great driver of the locomotive of history." Andrei Andreyev on Stalin as the inspirer and organizer of the new collective farm system, Nikita Khrushchev on Stalin as the author and creator of the new Soviet Constitution, the organizer of the multinational socialist state.

Articles by Shvernik and Shkriabov, Pokrebyshev and Divinsky, Stalin's immediate assistants over the course of several years, showed Stalin's care for the human being, his love of the working people, his tireless solicitude for their conditions, his attention to the thinking, feeling, living person who must be encouraged, criticized and inspired.

Stalin today received numerous greetings. The most notable were from the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, the Soviet Government, the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet of the U. S. S. R., the Supreme Military Council of the Red Army, the People's Commissariat of Navy, the Central Committee of the Young Communist League of the Soviet Union, the Executive Committee of the Communist International, from the railroad workers of the Soviet Union, the All-Union Central Council of Trade Unions, the Central Committees of the Communist Parties of the national republics of the U. S. S. R., and from the expedition and crew of the icebreaker "Stalin" now on a rescue mission in the Arctic.

The greetings of the Council of People's Commissars of the U. S. S. R. said in part: "In the struggle for socialist industrialization of the country, for the completion of the building of a socialist society, the peoples of the U. S. S. R. and the Soviet Government invariably received from the Communist Party, the Bolsheviks, from you, its leader, the Leninist leadership which ensured the victory of socialism in our country."

"Your daily participation in questions big and small, in deeds of heroism and in the every-day life

of socialist construction, gives scope to the creative initiative of the Soviet people, awakens new productive forces throughout our fatherland, multiplies the riches of the country and places them at the service of our people."

"The Council of People's Commissars of the U. S. S. R. greets you, Comrade Stalin, as the creator of the Constitution of the U. S. S. R., the most democratic constitution in the world."

"Under the sun of the Soviet Constitution, which our people in gratitude call the 'Stalin Constitution,' a new, socialist democracy is developing, the creative abilities of the people are flowering and the building of communism is being carried on."

"The doctrines of the new forms of the Soviet state, of the preservation and strengthening of the state as long as the capitalist encirclement has not been abolished and the danger of military attacks from outside is not eliminated—these doctrines which you have worked out, Comrade Stalin, are a brilliant development of Marxism-Leninism and a reliable weapon of the peoples in their struggle for communism."

The Presidium of the Supreme Soviet of the U. S. S. R. sent greetings to Stalin which said in part:

"By your brilliant insight, you exposed the machinations of the provocateurs of war. Your sage guidance of foreign policy aided the developing second world imperialist war has brought the country its greatest victories, has enhanced the importance of the U. S. S. R. as a serious international force, has strengthened the defense of the country, has ensured to the peoples of the Soviet Union peaceful labor and the continued prosperity of the socialist state."

"In you the free peoples of the U. S. S. R. see the embodiment of the strength and might of their great fatherland. For all working people, for all progressive mankind, your name is a banner, a struggle for liberation from exploitation and oppression."

RED ARMY HAILS LEADER

The Supreme Military Council, on behalf of the Red Army, sent greetings which said in part:

"Together with Lenin you laid the first foundation stones of the Red Army, which, during a short historical period, has grown from scattered regiments, such as it was at the beginning of the civil war, into a gigantic fighting force."

"At the will of the Party at the will of Lenin, you went to the most dangerous sectors for life and death battles of the Red Army against the enemies of the Revolution. You were everywhere where the fate of the revolution was decided, where there was needed an iron will and the strong hand of the organizer, the clear mind of the proletarian strategist and the ability of the tactical tactician."

The greetings were signed by Red Army Marshals Voroshilov and Budyenny and the other members of the council: Kulik, Mekhlis, Stachenko, Shaposhnikov, Lektorsky, Preskurov, Timoshenko, Smushkevich, Pavlov and Savchenko.

Cleveland Church, Fraternal Youth Decry U.S. Tories' War Drive

Youth Hold Xmas Peace Conference

Blast Justice Dep't for 'Preparing to Silence' Opposition to War

(Special to the Daily Worker)

CLEVELAND, Dec. 21. — Young Clevelanders, representing 96 organizations today moved forward to mobilize tens of thousands of Cleveland youths into a militant movement against all attempts to involve the United States in war.

Organization of a youth campaign to maintain American peace was agreed upon Sunday by 186 delegates to Youth's Christmas Peace Conference, held in the Public Auditorium.

Representatives of union, fraternal and church organizations almost unanimously emphasized the necessity of fighting for peace, civil liberties and social security.

A. E. Stevenson, secretary of the Cleveland Industrial Union Council, hit efforts of city and governmental officials to join with industrialists in smashing labor's rights under the excuse of "national emergency" and "protection from sabotage."

Al Giles, national president of the Townsend Youth Association and president of the Cuyahoga Christian Youth Council emphasized "We must keep America out of this conflict. We must be particularly vigilant in protecting our civil liberties."

Other speakers included Doris Miller of the YWCA, Dwight Hykes, chairman of the Civil Liberties Committee of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; Mark Hopkins, chairman of the Peace Committee and representing the City Council of Youth.

"The U. S. Department of Justice is preparing to silence all articulate opposition to war," Hopkins charged.

The following statement was adopted and a continuations committee selected to carry it out:

TEXT OF STATEMENT
"Flames of war again engulf Europe as in 1914, the war configuration threatens to spread across the world. America again faces the possibility of becoming involved.
"Wars are fought by youth. It is youth whose lives are sacrificed on the battlefield. It is the common concern of all young people that we keep the United States out of this war. We who would do the fighting and dying must be heard in ever increasing numbers demanding that we stay out.
"The purveyors of hate and propaganda are once again at work. Only fourteen weeks after outbreak of this second general European war the press, radio and prominent public figures no longer insist on maintaining our neutrality, but instead have changed to advocacy and practice of increased American intervention in one or another form.
"The moral issues and slogans used by the vested interests to dress up the senseless slaughter of 1914-18 are being streamlined. The cry that civilization and democracy are threatened and that American entry into the war is necessary to save them is again being raised as it was twenty-two years ago.
"We hold that the future of democracy and civilization is not to be found in the 'no-man's land' of this war. The issue being fought out on the bloody battlefields of Europe is not democracy but the control of colonial empires, not civilization but war profits, not the freedom of man but the power of world domination.
"We hold that the interests of the young people of our country and of Europe can be best served by the United States staying out of this war. Staying out of this war requires that the United States must not take sides in the conflict, that we must not intervene on the side of any of the belligerents. To do otherwise means to gamble with the security and lives of America's youth.
"We believe that the first line of defense against the war makers is the protection of the Bill of Rights. The traditional civil liberties and democratic rights of Americans must be preserved.
"Further we believe that in these troubled times an essential part of preserving the peace of the United States is the protection and extension of the economic security and social welfare of our young people. We insist that social security must not suffer a blackout as the result of militarization and war preparations.
"We therefore view with alarm all activities which tend to destroy civil liberties or curtail them for trade unions, minority organizations or other groups.
"Youth is not the helpless pawn of fate—or of those interests which would like to send a new crop of doughboys to Europe. Our generation can and must stand on its own feet, think intelligently and give articulate expression to its wishes and interests.
"To these ends, Youth's Christmas Conference and our future cooperation is dedicated."



THE CHRISTMAS RUSH UNDER WAY AT A NEW YORK POST OFFICE: Regulars and extras sorting parcel post packages for all parts of the country in the General Post Office where Christmas mail is twenty per cent heavier this year than last.

Council Democrats Meet, Squabble Over Job Spoils

Caucus Doesn't Bother About Vital Social Problems Facing City; Acts on \$137,560 in Patronage; Cashmore Gets \$2,500 Plum

The fourteen Democratic Councilmen, elected by the people as "guardians" of their welfare for the next two years, met in caucus at City Hall yesterday.

And what do you think they discussed? Three guesses. It wasn't legislation to establish more low-rent housing.

Nor was it legislation to curb the utility trusts, the milk trusts or to give more aid to the unemployed. In fact, the legislators didn't discuss legislation at all.

They discussed patronage—\$137,560 worth of it. Jobs for the boys from the clubhouse—that was the issue.

Among the jobs that the new Council majority began distributing was the Council Vice-Chairmanship for the next term.

EXTRA GRAVY
This matter was settled. According to a formal statement issued after the caucus, the Council emerged from their closed meeting, John Cashmore, the present Vice-Chairman and Majority Leader, was again designated to take over the post of Majority Whip. He will receive an extra \$2,500 a year over his regular \$5,000 salary.

"We didn't discuss anything else," one of the Councilmen declared as he left the caucus room.

But it was learned that during the three-hour meeting bids were put in by the Democratic delegations from four of the counties for the City Clerkship. Michael J. Cruise, veteran Tammanyite, holds the job now at a salary of \$10,840 a year. He retires this year.

The Brooklyn delegation, totalling

Bail Fund Loan Is Money In the Bank, Lender Finds

Building Worker Who Gave Early in Drive Gets It Back When He Loses His Job; Promises Another Loan Soon

Nathaniel Brown, unemployed building trades worker of New York, found that a loan to the Defense Committee for Civil Rights to Communists at 799 Broadway, was like money in the bank. He got it back when he lost his job.

Brown was one of the first to come to the rescue after

Earl Browder was arrested. Three days after the Defense Committee was set up last October he answered the appeal of Robert Minor, chairman, and Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, secretary for bail money, with a hundred dollar loan.

That hundred dollars was just about all he had. When he lost his job recently he waited as long as he could—then asked the committee to let him have his loan back. He got the money in two days.

Brown says he'll return it when he gets his next job.

Other lenders got their money back when required. Naturally only lenders in extreme need request their loans back.

The committee hopes to announce receipt of the first \$50,000 loans soon. A total of \$100,000 in loans for the fund to bail out arrested Communist leaders is being sought.

Lindbergh Resigns from U. S. Aeronautics Body
WASHINGTON, Dec. 21 (UP).—White House Secretary Stephen T. Early disclosed today that Col. Charles A. Lindbergh has resigned from National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics.

The President has appointed Brig. Gen. Walter G. Kilner to succeed him.

Kilner retired Dec. 1 as Assistant Chief of the Army Air Corps.

Lewis Greet Quill on Eve Of Testimonial

Lauds His Achievements on Behalf of Labor Movement

John L. Lewis, President of the Congress of Industrial Organizations, sent his greetings yesterday to Michael J. Quill. A testimonial and dance will be held in Quill's honor at Manhattan Center, 294th St. and Eighth Ave., tonight.

The testimonial is being sponsored by a group of CIO and A. F. of L. trade union leaders and several leading figures of the trade union world have already sent their greeting.

"Michael Quill's record during many years has been one of constructive effort for the welfare of the labor movement," said the greeting sent by Lewis.

"It gives me great pleasure to join with other friends of Mr. Quill in expressing my congratulations on the occasion of this testimonial to him."

"I am glad to pay tribute to his great achievements in behalf of the working people of the United States."

The committee sponsoring the affair includes:

Gustave Strebel, general organizer of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers and president of the N. Y. State Industrial Union Council; Elmer Brown, president, New York Typographical Union, A. F. of L.; Adolph Germer, New York Regional CIO director; Brian Peeney, acting president, Compressed Air Workers Union, A. F. of L.; and Austin Hogan, president, Transport Workers Union of Greater New York.

At the testimonial, Lewis will

be replaced by a Kelly machine man, it was learned.

There is expected to be a sharp fight over this post, one of the juiciest of the patronage plums.

BROOKLYN APPEASEMENT
Then there are numerous political jobs in the City Clerk's office. Manhattan Democrats have held these posts for years. Now Brooklyn, Queens and Bronx organizations are demanding their share of the "spoils."

The Queens delegation, it was said, is insisting on a "good share" of the City Clerk's office patronage.

Brooklyn, Manhattan and Queens Democrats, it is understood, have agreed to designate Joseph E. Kinsley again as finance committee chairman at a total salary of \$7,500 as a move to appease the Bronx organization.

But the Bronx boys also want more. And the fight is on—not for better legislation, but more patronage.

There is a progressive school of thought which believes that "to the victors belongs the responsibility for good government."

The gentlemen of the Democratic majority of the new Council, however, are of the old school. They believe that "to the victors belong the spoils."

At these trials, John L. Spivak will accuse Coughlin of being an anti-Semite and a violator of federal laws. Spivak will produce documentary facts to show the manipulations of Coughlin with stocks, silver, politics and his connections with Nazi agents in this country.

The public trials are scheduled as follows: Monday evening, Jan. 8 in the auditorium of the Menorah Temple, 14th Ave. and 50th St.

Borough Park, Brooklyn; Wednesday evening, Jan. 10 in the Pythian Temple, 135 W. 70th St., Manhattan; Friday evening, Jan. 12, in Brownsville, Brooklyn (place to be announced); Sunday, Jan. 14 at 2 P. M., in the auditorium of the Hunts Point Palace, Southern Blvd. and 163rd St., Bronx.

Cigarette Tax Has Netted \$11,000,000 Since July

ALBANY, Dec. 21 (UP).—Cigarette tax stamp sales during November totalled \$2,002,673.74, the state tax department announced today.

November sales brought total collections of the state two-cents-a-pack levy to \$11,028,206.28 since July.

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Russian Club Gives \$60 to C. P. Drive

A Christmas gift of \$60 was presented to the Communist Party today by the Russian Workers Club of 2700 Bronx Park East.

Composed of Russian-speaking needle workers, this progressive club, numbering 35 members, has a long record of substantial donations to working class causes. Last year, according to a spokesman, the club gave over \$100 to aid strikers, embattled Spanish Republicans, and the Communist press. It has contributed \$111 to the fund drive this year and the proceeds of a New Year's Eve dance will also go to the financial campaign.

Christmas gifts of a day's pay to the Communist Party may be mailed to the New York State Fund Drive Commission, 35 E. 12th St. It is the practical way of supporting the struggle for peace and security.

Crucible Steel Co. Parley with CIO Continues in Pgh.

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 21.—Following an all-day conference yesterday officials of the Crucible Steel Co. and Clinton S. Golden, regional director of the Steel Workers Organizing Committee, today continued conferences on the company's offer for a new contract.

The company employs 12,000 workers in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and New York.

Last week the SWOC began a strike vote among the company's employees.

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Lepke-Gurrah Harborers to Be Sentenced

Federal Judge Defers Action at Request of Prosecutor

Federal Judge Murray Hulbert yesterday postponed until Dec. 26, the sentencing of five persons and two corporations recently convicted of harboring Jacob (Gurrah) Shapiro and Louis (Lepke) Buchalter when the two racketeers were fugitives.

Assistant U. S. Attorney Jerome Doyle, the prosecutor, requested the postponement on the ground that he had not yet prepared recommendations.

Corporations convicted were Raleigh Manufacturers Inc., of New York, and the Raleigh Company of Baltimore, Md. Individuals were Florence Dwyer Philip Kassakove, an accountant; Samuel Smith brother-in-law of Shapiro; Nathan Borish, president of the Baltimore firm, and Carl Shapiro, brother of Gurrah.

A jury of eight women and four men convicted Lepke Wednesday night of conspiracy to violate the narcotics laws in operating an international dope smuggling ring to have involved \$10,000,000 a year. Max Schmukler, a co-defendant, was also convicted, but David Karadonick, third defendant, was acquitted.

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Calif. Sheriff Bought Guns, Gas For Vigilantes, Probe Hears

Set Up Arsenal, Deputized Mob To Break Strike

Soft-Nosed Bullets and 'KO' Gas Used in Bloody Attack

(Special to the Daily Worker)

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—An arsenal costing more than \$2,215 for its stock of shotguns, tear gas equipment and pick-handles was purchased by Sheriff Odell of San Joaquin County just before the shooting down of the Stockton cannery strikers. Odium's purchases were revealed before the La Follette Senate Civil Liberties Committee hearing here.

The deputies engaged by Odium, it was disclosed, were members of the Associated Farmers and thugs who were recruited in various other places. There were about 1,000 of them who attacked the strikers at the Stockton Food Products plant on April 23, 1937.

It was one of the bloodiest attacks in California labor history and scores of the strikers, who defended themselves with their bare hands and rocks against the tear gas, clubs and guns of the vigilantes, were sent to hospitals.

TOLD TO CARRY CLUBS

Under questioning by Senator La Follette, Odell first said that he ordered the vigilantes not to be armed, but later admitted that he told them to carry the clubs. He admitted also that the deputies had armed themselves.

Of the sum spent on the arsenal about \$1,100.97 went to the Lake Erie Chemical Co. for a supply of tear and "K O" gas, candle shells, and a long range tear gas gun.

The rest of the money was spent for 446 pickhandles (which were cut to supply as many as possible with clubs) 12 rifles, 12 shotguns, and a quantity of ammunition for them. Some of the bullets were of the "soft nose" type. The barrels of the shotguns were sawed off.

Ignatius (Teagart) McCarthy, agent of the chemical company admitted on the stand that he had been engaged as a "chemical warfare expert" by the sheriff and that he received \$60 in payment for his "work."

UNION READY TO SETTLE

J. W. Southwick and Kirby Berger, A. F. of L. representatives from Stockton, who were members of the strategy committee, told of the events leading up to the attack on the strikers. The union, they said, had agreed to terms of settlement but that they were rejected by the California Processors and Growers, Inc.

On the night of April 22, Southwick said, he telephoned Odell to tell him that the men would return to work in the morning and asking the sheriff to see to it that the vigilantes were not at the plant.

Odell testified that he had had the call from the union men and admitted that he had not made any move to get the vigilantes mob away from the plant.

Walter Garrison, Harold Angier and J. E. Devine testified that they had organized the Associated Farmers outfit in the county because a CIO organizing drive was expected. Angier, it was shown, had paid \$200 into the Odell fund for the hiring of a labor spy, Jack Walker, alias Melborn Harris.

S. F. Clowdley, district attorney of the county was called to the stand and letters of his read in which he stated he thought sections of the anti-picketing ordinance which was drawn up at the behest of the Associated Farmers, was unconstitutional.

But, stated Clowdley, it would serve to check the strikers "until tested."

Documents subpoenaed showed that \$144,795 had been given the fund of the Processors and Growers by such firms as the American Can, Western Can, Continental Can, and Pacific Can companies. But Harrison S. Robinson, advisor to the employers' organization, denied any knowledge of the contributions when called to the stand.

E. G. Hill, chief deputy during the strike said that one morning he and others took truckloads of scabs to the Stockton plant and had been stoned by pickets. The deputies were forced to fire tear gas at the strikers, he said.

This testimony was completely refuted by Virgil Sergeant steamfitters helper who was on the picket line. Sergeant said he watched the loading of the scabs into trucks and saw each of them armed with pieces of pipe. One he said was given a pitchfork.

The deputies started throwing the tear gas before the trucks left the plant, he said.

Sergeant was asked if he had seen any rocks thrown.

"Not until he started throwing the tear gas," Sergeant declared. Odell recalled, said that 12,000 had answered his call for a "posse" to keep the plant operating and that of these 80 were members of the Associated Farmers who were deputized.

Uribe Praises Lincoln Vets on Eve of Parley

Former Loyalist Minister Pays Tribute to Brigade Veterans as Their Final Farewell Meeting Approaches Here on Xmas Eve

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of the Brigades and the work that remains for them today.

"The function and the achievements of the glorious International Brigades during the Spanish people's war of liberation have a multiple meaning," Uribe continued. "The represent, in the first place, the highest example of solidarity, of living proletarian internationalism of a progressive and truly democratic character. Why? Because it is impossible to illustrate solidarity better than by the example of thousands of men of diverse opinions and many countries who voluntarily gathered in Spain to fight side by side, jointly with the Spanish people. At the height of German and Italian military intervention, faced by the criminal policy of 'non-intervention' initiated by the Socialist Bloc, hampered by the traitorous leaders of Social-Democracy, the International Brigades indicated to the Spanish people that though they had many enemies they also had many friends and that many thousands of men in every latitude of the globe were ready to give their lives for the cause of the Spanish people, the cause of all true and progressive humanity."

PRaises Soviet Aid

The presence of the International Brigades constantly encouraged the Republicans and every glorious action of the Republican Army—Madrid, Guadalajara, Belchite, Ebro and so many more—tightened the indissoluble ties between the Spanish people and their generous soldiers from other lands. The generous and unselfish aid of the great land of Socialism, the Soviet Union, and the great performance of the International Brigades are deeds that the Spanish people will never forget and they will keep eternally fresh their affection and friendship for those who gave all to create a free, happy and prosperous Spain.

Asked what the Veterans of the International Brigades might do in the present circumstances to aid the Spanish people and carry out the pledge they gave on leaving Spain, Senior Uribe outlined the main needs of the day.

"Now that the Spanish Republic has been defeated by foreign intervention effectively assisted by the handiwork of 'non-intervention,' by the treason of social democracy and the internal treason of a group of contemptible agents of imperialism—Cassado, Besteiro, Mija and others—the work of the International Brigades has not ended, though it takes on a new form. You can aid the Spanish Republic in defending the Soviet Union (the only country that was unconditionally on the side of the Spanish People's Republic), against whom those who ruined and strangled the Spanish people now prepare a counter-revolutionary war. You can aid the real people of Spain by fighting against the present imperialist war, against those who want to drag all peoples into a world massacre for the benefit of a tiny group of exploiters. You can aid our people by rousing public opinion against the frightful terror of bloody Franco who is converting

our unhappy country into a cemetery. You can finally collect funds for the Republican refugees and struggle for an end to the disgraceful concentration camps in France where the reactionaries of that land have imprisoned hundreds of thousands of Republican fighters and thousands of heroic soldiers of the International Brigade."

Helsinki Agent Dickers for Huge U.S. Loan

Procope Puts Out Feelers to Congressmen for \$50,000,000

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21 (UP).—(White-Guard) Finland is sounding out prominent Congressional figures on the possibility of obtaining a large loan to purchase war materials, it was learned today.

Inquiries about a Finnish war loan—reportedly for \$50,000,000—are being conducted by Finnish Minister Hjalmar J. Procope, but he has not had much success, due to the absence of most Congressional leaders.

Finland, which is not subject to restrictions of the Johnson Act, has been unsuccessful in attempting to procure the loan from New York banks, it is understood. The Johnson Act prohibits governments in default on their debts to this country from borrowing here.

Senate Minority Leader Charles McNary, R., Ore., and Chairman Sol Bloom, D., N. Y., of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, gave qualified endorsement to a loan.

The U. S. Export-Import Bank already has made \$10,000,000 available to Finland for miscellaneous purposes, but its policy forbids loans for military purposes. Further, the bank does not have anything like \$50,000,000 to lend.

Germany, Rumania Sign New Trade Pact

BUCHAREST, Dec. 21 (UP).—It was officially announced tonight that Germany and Rumania have signed a new trade agreement.

Wall St. Wanted Hitler To Send an Army—Not Birthday Greetings

The Wall Street press was enraged yesterday because the German government and Hitler sent birthday greetings to Joseph Stalin.

According to the promise which Hitler had made to Chamberlain at Munich, the German chancellor was scheduled to send an army against the Soviet Union at the present moment and not birthday greetings.



SET NEW LIGHT PLANE ALTITUDE RECORD: W. R. Kinner (left) of Long Beach, Calif., hands his barograph to Capt. H. H. Haines of the U. S. Marine Corps as he lands at the local airport after setting an unofficial record of 28,100 feet. Reaching the height in 1 hour 11 minutes, the 60-year-old pilot also established a new rate-of-climb mark for his type of light plane.

500 Open Rank & File Campaign of Local 22

More than 500 members of Dressmakers Local 22 of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union last night attended the meeting of the Rank and File group at Irving Plaza at which they opened their campaign for the union's election in March. Enthusiasm was very high and live applause frequently broke into

support to such a drive, but at the same time insist that the administration stop its policy of discrimination against members for political views or other differences, so real unity could be possible behind such a campaign.

He further declared that the move to bring the ILGWU into the A. F. of L. is a reactionary move and the Rank and File will campaign for support of the CIO's program. He further stressed that the decision of the General Executive Board of the union to launch a jurisdictional war against the Amalgamated Clothing Workers is "dangerous," as it will distract the union from its main task of organizing the unorganized. Such differences, he said, could be settled within labor ranks without a struggle.

OFFICERS TAKE PART
Among those who participated in the meeting are 13 officers of Local 22—seven of them members of the executive board; Morris Stamper, local vice-chairman and others holding responsible posts.

David Shapiro, Local 22 price adjuster who acted as chairman of the meeting, sounded the keynote with a call for a campaign that will meet the serious problems confronting the union, particularly the need of a sweeping drive to organize the mostly unorganized cotton and rayon garment industry.

Referring to the absence of seven people who three years ago were elected on the Rank and File program but last week deserted it, he said "and many people don't want them with us." This received a general applause.

Wisberg's chief emphasis was on the need of seriously tackling the "out-of-town" unorganized dress industry, now threatening the unionized New York market as never before. He said the Rank and File should give all possible

Alliance Asks Unions to Aid Fight for Jobs

Urges Contributions to Jobless to Push Program

Sam Wiseman, secretary-treasurer of the Workers Alliance, appealed yesterday to the trade unions of the city to aid the unemployed with contributions in order that they may carry out their program in New York state.

In the appeal Wiseman points to the fact that after ten years of crisis there are still 10,000,000 persons out of work.

"These unemployed," says Wiseman's letter, constitute an army which can be used to attack everything the labor movement has won in the past ten years.

"Not alone that, but unless they are organized, unless they feel that the trade unions stand shoulder-to-shoulder with them... they constitute an army which may look for a solution outside democracy, in the form of a fascist dictatorship."

"Thus far, fascist demagogues have failed to win them. Thus far they have not become an organized army of scabs!"

ALLIANCE AN EDUCATOR

"Certainly, the Workers Alliance has been in large measure responsible for this... because the Workers Alliance has organized them and educated them not to scab... because the Workers Alliance has fought for their daily needs... because the Workers Alliance has constantly fought their problems before the trade unions and the community, not allowing their problems to be forgotten."

"Today, unemployment is recognized by all labor as America's No. 1 problem. It has always been our belief that labor can best deal with this problem through organization of the unemployed... by and within the labor movement. It is our hope that this will soon be realized. Until then we have an important function to perform."

"The unemployed are getting an awful feeling around. Behind the shield of the so-called 'war boom' WPA is being cut. Behind the cry for economy the attack on relief is gaining strength. Relief conditions are worse than ever before... witness Cleveland. But the Cleveland situation exists in thousands of communities throughout the country, although they have not been as well publicized."

"We need your support. We need your financial support! Our organization, based on dues payments of unemployed men and women, cannot hope to get from them sufficient funds to carry out the tasks that are before us."

"We can get these funds only from you; only from those who realize that the job we have to do is all-important, and who are prepared, therefore, to support us financially... even if it entails great sacrifice."

U. of Chicago Refuses to Ban Browder Talk

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Red-Baiting of Dean and Veterans' Group Won't Stop Speech

the red-baiting Dies Committee the students see a victory for civil rights in the determination of the university to stand by its approval of the meeting.

Dean Smith, dean of students in the college, voluntarily testified before the Dies Committee recently. He smeared the recognized Communist Club and American Student Union Chapter as "subversive." A mass meeting of over 750 students and faculty members in which student leaders, including Communists, participated, branded Smith's action as un-American and as part of the monopolists' war drive. The meeting was sponsored by the ASU. The administration repudiated Smith's action as a breach of his office. Therefore Browder's speech will not only be a discussion of the imperialist war but will also rally the students to reaffirm the tradition of academic freedom and civil liberties at the university.

why there were only 7,000 people to hear you.

P.S.—The early edition of the Post put the 15,000 figure up in their deck and dubbed it in the lead of Henry Beckett's story on the meeting. But they were a little careless and forgot to take out his mention of the fact further down that there "was an audience of 10,000." And that was 3,000 too high in the first place!

French, German Coal Barons Arrange Swap

French iron magnates and German coal barons, both harnessed to monopoly capital, are near an agreement on exchange of coal and iron through "neutral" Belgium, according to a dispatch from Copenhagen received here by Iron Age, steel trade magazine.

Paul Fildrum, correspondent for the magazine, writes:

"One of the most extraordinary transactions is the recent sale of four million tons of Belgian coal

to France and six million tons of French iron ore to Belgium. It is easily established that Belgium can neither consume this quantity of ore nor supply the coal. She suffers from a lack of coal and coke."

Fildrum concluded that Belgium cannot absorb the six million tons of ore and since both the coal and ore are to be loaded on Belgian cars, most of the coal would come from Germany and the iron ore would go to Germany.

Vigilantes Shoot Coast Farm Strikers

(Special to the Daily Worker)

PESCADERO, Calif., Dec. 21.—Two striking agricultural workers were under treatment at the San Mateo Community Hospital here today, victims of gunshot wounds inflicted by Don T. Campbell, a local farm employer.

Campbell, without warning, fired three volleys into a group of strikers yesterday morning, seriously wounding Frederico Mentrubang, 26, and Apollonio Ordona.

The strike in the brussels sprouts fields of this area, despite boss terror, is still practically 100 per cent effective, it was declared here yesterday by Lambert Nallmad, leader of the 520 strikers who are demanding a flat five cents an hour wage increase (from 30 cents to 35 cents) and dual recognition of the United Cannery Agricultural, Packing and Allied Workers Association, CIO, and the Filipino Agricultural Labor Association.

Vicente Uribe to Speak in Harlem Tonight

Vicente Uribe and Antonio Mija, leaders of the Spanish working class, will speak at a Harlem rally tonight at Park Palace Hall, 1104th St. and Fifth Ave., at 8:30 o'clock. The meeting, sponsored by ten Spanish and Latin American organizations, will present the last chance to hear the heroic Spaniards before they leave for Latin America. They will discuss the lessons of the Spanish struggle in the light of the present imperialist war and the attacks on the Soviet Union.

Bombs Explode in London Postoffices

LONDON, Friday, Dec. 22 (UP).—An outburst of scattered bombings in postoffices in the London area were reported early today and several employees sorting Christmas mail were injured. Police attributed the bombings to the Irish Republican Army. A general warning was issued to all postal offices to watch for bombs.

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New Yorkers Stayed Away in Drove From The Mannerheim Rally: The Papers 'Packed' It

By Lester Rodney

Seven thousand people "packed" Madison Square Garden for the Let's Help Mannerheim (they called it Finland) meeting Wednesday night.

The midnight edition of the Times regrettably stretched the figure to a round 10,000, to make it look as though there were at least that many people in New York who had forgotten what Herbert Hoover really stands for. But in the wee hours of the morning, after the 7,000 straggled out, they must have had another meeting, because the late city edition blossomed out with a more impressive looking 15,000. (When the Communists meet at the Garden the attendance figures get the opposite treatment.)

The Garden looked funeral for the 20,000 that had packed the place for the Olgin Memorial Meeting just two nights before. The entire gallery was dark. They didn't even bother to try to sell tickets for it when they saw the impressive numbers in which New Yorkers were staying home.

The mezzanine was about one-third full, and the downstairs seats were about one-half populated.

FEW BUT RICH

The whole place had a fat-jowled, silk and lace "Long live the Czar!" atmosphere that led one to expect a mournful, nostalgic rendition of the White Guard Blues any minute. A Garden attendant looked around a bit scornfully and said to

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NEW YORK, THURSDAY

15,000 at Rally for Aid to Finland Cheer as Hoover Pays Tribute

Americans Must Help Lighten Burdens of Invasion Victims, He Says—Envoy Voices Nation's Deep Gratitude

Before 15,000 persons in Madison Square Garden, former President heart. We ask it that we may

Madison Square Garden was more than half empty for the Let's Help Mannerheim meeting Wednesday night. The police estimated attendance at 7,000. The N. Y. Times, in its midnight edition, stretched this figure to 10,000. But after an early morning huddle in the Times editorial offices, it was decided that the anti-Soviet campaign demanded a better figure than that. The morning (late city) edition therefore declared with a straight face that 15,000 had been present.

a cop. "The Communists fill the joint every time." The cop looked at the empty galleries and nodded.

As the bristling, war-incited speeches (including one by Mayor LaGuardia) began to bounce around the bald heads of the Park Avenue gentlemen and their dowagers and echo back from the dark gallery, one could almost picture the empty seats upstairs filled as usual with the gay, young and knowing members of the YCL, hurling down a raucous "Oh, yeah?" to the fable of little Goldy Mannerheim and the big, bad Russian bear.

Some gems from the speeches: Hendrik Willem Van Loon: "We are behind Finland! 140,000,000 strong!" Maybe 140 million dollars

strong, Willem, but from the looks of the Garden tonight most of the American people are terribly out of step with you and Herbie.

Matthew Wolf: "I speak for labor!" You couldn't have been meaning that you speak for the "Labor Department" of the National Association of Manufacturers, could you, Matthew?

Dorothy Thompson: "We should help Finland with all the vast financial and economic sources at our disposal—we should help with airplanes and arms and machines!" Stop screaming, Doc, the boys of the War Department are a step ahead of you with those airplanes. Hjalmar Procope, minister from

Mannerheim: "I want to thank particularly the wonderful cooperation of the American press." You certainly ought to, pal. They've been lying themselves blue in the face for your murderous bunch of war provocateurs. Every day. You should have put in a special plug for the World-Telegram, which issued a clarion call to America's sons of riches to evade the income tax and invest their millions at a high rate of return in Mannerheim, Ltd.

Herbert Hoover: "This reminds me of the time in 1919 I also found it necessary to help." Yeah, we remember, Herbie, and we remember who it was you helped. That's

CIO Pact Wins \$2,000,000 Pay Boost for Brass Workers

TORRINGTON, Conn., Dec. 21 (FP).—For the first time the American Brass Co.'s 5,000 Torrington and Ansonia employees came under union contract when the company extended its Waterbury plant agreement to cover them. The firm is a subsidiary of Anaconda Copper.

Negotiation of union contracts with these two plants was one of the stipulations made by the 3,000 Waterbury plant workers when they accepted a contract renewal December 7. Workers in all three plants had voted to strike unless the company signed with the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, CIO.

Through restoration of a 10 per cent wage cut and through production bonuses and night work bonuses, the 8,000 workers will get \$2,000,000 extra a year. Besides winning its main demand for one week paid vacations, the union got improved seniority, preferential rating for shop stewards, and supervision of production bonuses by a union committee.

Ford Detroit Local Prepares to Organize Company in 1940

Meeting of Ford Workers Adopts Slogan of 'Organize the Ford Motor Co. in 1940,' Expresses Confidence in Leadership of UAW-CIO

(Special to the Daily Worker)
DETROIT, Dec. 21.—Ford workers, holding one of the best meetings held in many months here, have served notice on King Henry that his plants will be organized thoroughly in 1940. The local also expressed strong confidence in UAW President R. J. Thomas, and Secretary-Treasurer George Addes.

Olson Blames Dock Tieup On Employers

Gov. Wires FDR, Citing Shippers Rejection of Peace Proposals

(Special to the Daily Worker)

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—Placing the blame for the waterfront tieup squarely on the employers who have rejected 18 different peace proposals from the checkers union and government agencies, Gov. Culbert Olson has wired President Roosevelt.

The governor charged that three California ports have been blockaded by the shipowners' actions and that, among them, is a government-operated line. The statement was contained in a telegram to the White House.

The wire said: "Employers of checkers at San Francisco Harbor now on strike for recognition of their right to security of employment have refused arbitration recommended by the Maritime Labor Board and refused my recommendation that men return to work pending further negotiations and investigation by an impartial committee. Union accepted either proposition.

"It is apparent that the employers are determined not only to refuse any consideration of union requests but because of the same are boycotting San Francisco, Oakland and Stockton harbors. It appears American President Line of United States Maritime Commission is joined with private lines in this purpose.

"I earnestly recommended that President Line show cooperation which private lines refuse, so that strike of union and boycott of steamship companies may be terminated and operations at these harbors be immediately resumed."

Hathaway Speaks on Finland in B'klyn, Sat.

C. A. Hathaway, editor of the Daily Worker, will discuss the most vital question of the day "Finland and the USSR" at the Finnish Socialist Club, 764-40th St., Brooklyn, Saturday at 8:30 P. M.

Scandinavian people of Brooklyn are expected to hear Hathaway clarify the role of the Soviet Union and explain the meaning of the so-called relief committee headed by Herbert Hoover.

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No. Michigan Copper Miners Join CIO

Unorganized 25 Years, Miners Respond to Four Month Drive

(Special to the Daily Worker)

IRONWOOD, Mich., Dec. 21.—Following a campaign of less than four months, the copper miners here who have been unorganized for over 25 years, have joined the CIO's United Copper Workers Industrial Union, Local 1007.

The recent election among employees of the Copper Range Mining Co. gave the CIO six hundred and forty-three votes as against two hundred and fifty-six for a well financed and much advertised company organization.

Organization among the copper workers spread from the lumber industry in which the International Woodworkers of America, CIO, has a strong organization.

The last time the copper workers of Northern Michigan were organized was in 1913 when they fought a 13 month strike, faced national guardsmen and strikebreaking terror, but lost. The strike then was under the leadership of the famous Western Federation of Miners.

After pressing charges before the National Labor Relations Board, the CIO succeeded in having the company organization disbanded. But three weeks before the election a new organization was brought into being, calling itself the Copper Range Independent Union. The effort of the "Independent" outfit did not succeed, however. The miners who have been greatly influenced by the militancy and progressive character of the lumber organization here.

The CIO won despite refusal of the radio station owners here to sell it time. A four page pamphlet in English and Finnish, but unsigned, was circulated among the miners, seeking to prejudice them by "red herring" propaganda.

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LaGuardia Sees FDR on Trend To 1940 Elections

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21 (UP).—Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia of New York City talked with President Roosevelt today.

His conference with the President coincided with an assertion by Secretary of Interior Harold I. Ickes that liberals might find it necessary to convene a conference if the two major parties both choose conservatives.

When LaGuardia left the White House, reporters asked if he and the President had discussed the third term.

"You are only half right on that," the Mayor replied. "We discussed the necessity of giving the American people the chance to vote on real issues in the event that the two parties take Siamese twins, cut them in two and each take one-half for a candidate or that it is a choice between tweed-dee and tweedle-dum."

"They ought to have the opportunity to vote on real issues," LaGuardia predicted "they will be defined."

Aiding Their Shut-In Shipmates



Stewardesses began this morning at 9:30 to spend their few brief hours ashore to pitch in with members of Women's Auxiliary of the National Maritime Union to prepare Christmas gifts for seamen in Marine Hospitals throughout the nation and for the scores who are in jails and penitentiaries for union activity—including four women. Photo shows from left to right Lella Austin, stewardess; Frances Bryant, stewardess organizer for the NMU; Adelaide Leonore, steamship nurse and Robert McBride, NMU patrolman in charge of hospitals and prisons who makes sure that all the union members' shipmates get their weekly benefits and a square deal from the officials in charge of their institutions.

Mayor Vows to Curb Anti-Semitic Disorders

"Any misguided troublemakers who, under the guise of free speech, slander or vilify peaceful groups in this city will be properly dealt with by the authorities," Mayor F. H. LaGuardia assured New Yorkers in a special letter to The Voice, national organ of the Committee of Catholics for Human Rights, on today.

The Mayor indicated that the police will simultaneously recognize "both freedom of speech and the right of racial and religious minorities to be free from abuse."

One of the few public statements the Mayor has made on the subject, the official stand of the administration came in reply to a request for the Mayor's "emphatic views on current anti-Semitic disturbances" by Dr. Emmanuel Chapman, secretary of the Committee of Catholics.

The new issue of The Voice also contains an open letter by the Committee to Attorney-General Murphy urging investigation and prosecution of anti-Semitic and anti-Catholic "hate peddlers" under the Federal Civil Rights Statute and for "failure to register as agents or willing aides of agents of foreign governments."

In a front-page article, the magazine reveals that a secret conference of leaders of fascist and anti-Semitic organizations in the United States is planned shortly near Washington. Col. Charles A. Lindbergh, according to The Voice will be quietly boomed for a Presidential nomination by the conferees, although he has given no sign of encouragement to these organizations.

Mayor LaGuardia's letter to The Voice, in alluding to police action against anti-Semitic scoundrel speakers and news vendors for breach of peace, revealed:

"In the past six months the police have brought up for arraignment 238 cases of arrest or summons. Of these, 112 have resulted in convictions in the Magistrates' Courts, carrying sentences of fine or imprisonment. Additional cases are scheduled for trial in the

Ohio CIO Tells FDR Crisis Goes On

Harrington Won't Ask for More WPA Monies

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erise through June on our present funds."

Although the inadequate WPA appropriation recommended by the administration and passed by Congress is one of the main factors in the present relief crisis, Harrington defended his estimate of the situation last spring.

He said that the business picture is "improving" and that the predicted pick-up which was the basis for the severe cut in WPA is "just about being realized."

In figures which he released this afternoon, Harrington revealed that there are now one million less WPA workers on the rolls now than there were one year ago.

On Dec. 14, there were 2,122,990 WPA workers on the rolls as compared with 3,083,000 last December at the same time.

Col. Harrington said that there had been an increase in employment of 1,400,000 workers during the last 12 months. He admitted, however, that this had no substantial effect on WPA workers who are usually absorbed last when there is a pick-up.

As the relief situation was fast becoming a political football, Harrington rapped Governor Bricker of Ohio and Governor James of Pennsylvania, both Republicans, for statements charging that grave relief situations in their states existed because of "political manipulation" by WPA.

Harrington said that these charges were "rubbish" and "poppycock."

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A spectacular four-alarm fire last night swept the one-story plant of Lee, Story & Co., dealers in building materials, on Bergen St., between Albany and Troy Aves., Brooklyn.

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NMU 'Old-Timers' Jam Opening of Union's Library

Ceremony Marks Anniversary of 'Picket-Line Christmas' of 1936; 3,000 Books on Hand as a Starter for Room

More than 1,000 National Maritime Union members, their wives, former seamen and friends of the early rank-and-file movement out of which the union grew, attended the opening of the new NMU library, recreational and educational center in union headquarters, 126 Eleventh Ave., this afternoon.

In a way, it commemorated the 1936 "picket line Christmas" during the 1936-37 strike of the International Seamen's Union rank-and-file—a strike which led to the formation of the NMU in May, 1937.

Heading the receiving line today were Joseph Curran, NMU President, and Stephen W. Harvey, NMU librarian and director of Education. The new center occupies one-half of the third floor of the five-story headquarters. Its 5,000 feet of floor space is divided into a huge lounge and reading room, two classrooms and the library proper.

On the walls of the lounge are some 60 photographs and documents depicting the growth and history of the rank-and-file movement of the union. Occupying a prominent place on one wall is a framed copy of the Bill of Rights.

3,000 BOOKS
In a prominent position near the main entrance is a huge reproduction, four feet by six, of the new "Program of Action" adopted by the New Orleans convention in July.

The library is starting off with 3,000 books, Harvey said today. More expected from time to time, however. The biggest contributor of books has been the American Merchant Marine Library.

Educational classes will begin early in January, Harvey said. "The main subjects will be Navigation, Political Economy and Trade Unionism, Sanitation and First Aid, Citizenship and Naturalization, and three foreign languages; Spanish, French and German."

"Classes will be an hour and a half long and will be held from one to three days a week, depending on the subject."

In addition to the books in the library and reading room, there are many books for sale to union members and ships crews. These include "The Grapes of Wrath," "History of the Great American Fortunes," "Speeches and Papers of President Roosevelt," "Labor's New Millions," "One-Fifth of Mankind" and many others.

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J. P. Morgan Gets Protection In Washington

There was dynamite in the Senate Monopoly Committee hearings which adjourned yesterday until Jan. 8, 1940. But the average newspaper reader was not permitted by the press to hear about it.

Here are some of the revelations which could not help coming out in the testimony—

The J. P. Morgan firm which was supposed to have been ousted as the dominating control of American industry by the U. S. law on investment banking actually has tightened its monopoly grip since this law went into effect in 1935.

Did you see this headlined in any newspaper? You did not.

Secondly, all the giant industrial and railroad corporations which were supposed to be "freed" from the grip of J. P. Morgan by the law, which forbids a commercial bank to act as an investment bank, still remain under the grip of the new Morgan Stanley Corp. This new company is tied hand and foot to the original J. P. Morgan bank.

It was also brought out that the new Morgan firm did not pay a single cent of income taxes in 1938 on a \$4,000,000 profit.

The amazing fact of the whole business is that the very Senators who have been entrusted to uncover these facts are fighting tooth and nail to protect the Morgan partners who are on the witness stand. Time and time again, Senators King and O'Mahoney have stepped in to warn the questioning counsel not to probe too deeply.

For several years, the majority of the American people have been waiting vainly for the Government to make good on its promise to break the grip of Wall Street monopoly. It has done nothing effective. Instead, the Administration and the press have made an agreement to get rid of the anti-monopoly fight as soon as possible. The monopoly program for war and slashing of social legislation has been taken over by Congress and the Government circles.

The people themselves must demand decisive exposure and curbing of the House of Morgan trust which robs the people and drives them toward war. It is clear that Washington has no intention of fighting Wall Street.

Roosevelt Harkens to The Budget Slashers

President Roosevelt has been dropping all kinds of broad hints on how he is going to handle the Federal budget in the January Congress. They sound more and more like the kind of program which the reactionary Republicans and the Garner crowd have been demanding for years.

Whereas in the days when the New Deal had some meaning Roosevelt disagreed with the "deficit" talk as aimed at wiping out vital social legislation, he now talks more and more about slashing expenditures and reducing the deficit.

A case in point is the way he proposes to handle the farm benefit payments. He told the press that there is a \$500,000,000 deficit due to payments given to the farmers. How pay for this deficit? By taxing the rich? By taxing the Chicago and Wall Street grain speculators, or the monopolist food processors? Not a bit of it! Roosevelt told the press that he approves Secretary Wallace's plan to tax this \$500,000,000 out of the purchases of the consumers—the most poverty-stricken consumers at that.

Not a word about helping the farm tenants is to be found in this latest scheme. Only the wealthy, land-owning farmers get anything out of it.

Roosevelt's scheme then boils down to this—he will tax the poor in the cities to subsidize the rich farmers, while the poor farmers will be dispossessed from their land. And this he will call, in good Wall Street style, "reducing the deficit."

The White House will face the opposition of the people defending their needs.

The FBI Sneaks Up On The Unions

The plans of the Department of Justice for an assault on the organized trade union movement, are maturing.

It has just been announced in Washington that the FBI is to protect 430 large plants from "sabotage." But the real meaning of this "protection" is unwittingly revealed in a second dispatch from Detroit, appearing in the World-Telegram. This dispatch speaks of the "sudden federal activity" in Detroit, repeats the fairy tale about possible "sabotage" and then gives the game away by declaring that "one of the highest

federal officials" considers that the recent Chrysler strike was of "Communist" origin.

Here we have it. When the FBI speaks of sabotage it means the magnificent resistance of the 50,000 Chrysler workers which resulted in the breaking of a lockout by the corporation and in winning the highest wages in the industry.

High wages, short hours, seniority rights, control over speed-up, collective bargaining—this is the kind of "sabotage" for which Attorney General Murphy and the Department of Justice are gunning.

U. S. Major General O'Ryan Can't Wait

Major General John F. O'Ryan, commander of the 27th Division during the last world war, just can't wait. He wants to plunge the American people into the bloody imperialist conflict right now.

In a speech Tuesday evening in which he completely whitewashed the Chamberlain side of the two contending imperialist oppressors, he said:

"Looking ahead, it is conceivable . . . that we should enter the war now. . . ."

It was Major General O'Ryan who made the speech. But it is clear that he simply translated into blunt words of action the increasing war incitements of Wall Street and the Roosevelt administration. His open call to war expresses the most callous contempt for the wishes of the American people, who want to stay out of war and who want peace.

The American people are still paying for the catastrophic blunder of the last world war. It is precisely because they're "looking ahead," that they want no more of the blood, tears and suffering of another one.

The CIO Begins an Historic Campaign

Most timely, and thoroughly in keeping with its statesmanlike policies, the CIO is entering upon a drive to organize the unorganized in the South.

A conference of Southern CIO union leaders has just taken place in Washington, at which a campaign was mapped for bringing into the organized labor movement millions of unorganized Negro and white workers in mining, textile, oil, rubber and other key industries.

This campaign is of the greatest significance not only for the further advance of the CIO but for the progress of the A. F. of L. as well. For the open-shoppers, in order to put the nation on a war footing, are trying to smash the present organizations of labor, to say nothing of heading off their expansion. And the CIO has shown the only way to block this war-time offensive, that is, by moving ahead. To mark time, is actually to go backward and lose those gains already achieved by labor in recent years.

The drive is all the more significant because it takes place in the South. There the standard of living in the country is lowest; there the lynch oppression of the Negroes signifies the degradation of the white workers; and there the crudest Ku Klux terror is used by Wall Street's stooge mill owners against labor. The industrialist war-mongers will attempt to intensify all these brutalities, and it is no easy task that faces the CIO. But the interests of labor and the American people as a whole require the triumph of this campaign.

The contributions of the CIO toward the growing labor and progressive movement in the South gives confidence of victory. A. F. of L. as well as all other trade unionists will glory in this organizational drive—and will want to give it every support for their own welfare.

Making Peace with the 'Economy' Reactionaries

The reactionaries are getting their horses lined up to run another disastrous race of false economy at the January session of the State legislature.

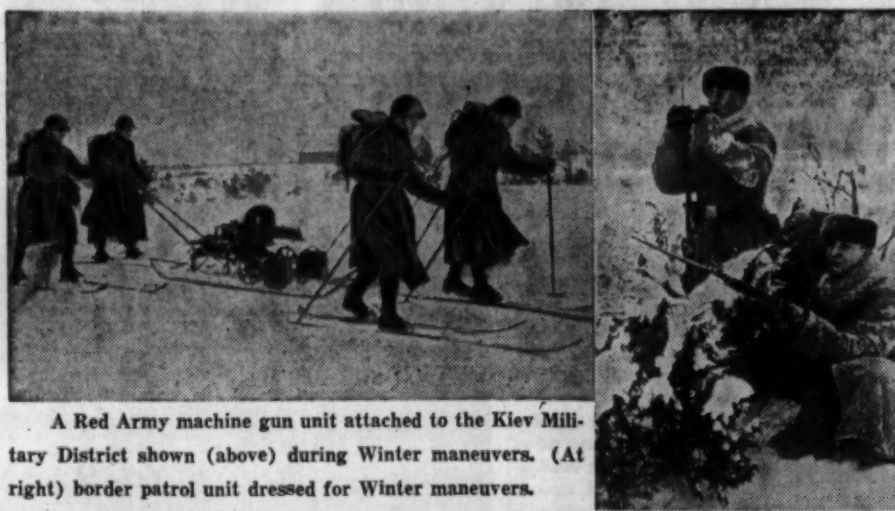
Republican Speaker of the State Assembly Oswald D. Heck made an address the other evening, in which the main theme was "economy" with, of course, not the slightest regard for the social needs of the people. As for labor, he threw out the special ominous hint that "minor revisions" were contemplated in the State labor laws. (Revision from this anti-labor crowd could only mean one thing: hamstringing the trade unions!)

It is plain, too, that Gov. Lehman, just like the Roosevelt administration, is making peace with these "economy" reactionaries. He is conferring with these Republicans on the 1940-41 budget for the purpose of furthering a "political truce."

Any peace made with the Republicans—who butchered the schools, slashed highway funds, and cut into social measures at the last legislature—can only mean disaster for the people. It is proof that the increasing abandonment of the people by the former "big" New Deal circles is being imitated by little New Deal circles.

As in the 1940 Congress, labor and progressives must rely upon their own independent strength if the school funds are to be restored and other social needs of the people are to be protected in the forthcoming State Legislature.

RED ARMY IN WINTER MANEUVERS



A Red Army machine gun unit attached to the Kiev Military District shown (above) during Winter maneuvers. (At right) border patrol unit dressed for Winter maneuvers.

The N.Y. Times Suppresses Another Finland Dispatch--It Was Too True

The new York Times suppressed in its morning edition a military report on the Red Army which it printed in its midnight edition by Mr. James Aldridge, correspondent at Helsinki, Finland, of the North American Newspaper Alliance.

But Mr. Aldridge's conclusions based on observations in Finland simply did not fit in with the systematic falsehoods of the New

York Times' headlines against the Soviet Union. Therefore, the New York Times hastily withdrew it from its regular morning readers.

We give the full text, with the Times' own headlines, of the report on the Red Army in Finland written by a bourgeois correspondent, but which the New York Times found too close to the truth for comfort.—Editor.

TAUNTS ON SLOW WAR FAIL TO PIQUE SOVIET

General Is Reported Satisfied with Methodical Program

HELSINKI, Finland, Dec. 20.—After having seen the fighting on the Karelian Isthmus front and the aerial bombing of Helsinki, the writer thinks it is a mistake to get the idea that the Russian attack on Finland is a ruthless "blitzkrieg" [lightning war].

It has been a fairly slow-moving war on the southern front, and the Russian General Mereckoff does not seem to be interested in the world's sneers and taunts that the Red Army is being "licked" by little Finland. The Soviet general is slowly and carefully going ahead, always knowing that his overwhelming superiority in arms, men, ammu-

nition and supplies gives him time to advance methodically—and he is taking his time.

It is also a fallacy to argue at this stage of the war that the Red Army is inferior and weak. If the Western nations turn this into a "holy crusade" against bolshevism, it will become the bloodiest battle in history, with the Finnish people suffering more than any people has bled in a war.

The war seems to be developing on a big scale in the north, around the Arctic Circle, whence reports come daily of big Russian attacks that are hard to check. So this correspondent is leaving tomorrow for the Arctic Circle, heading first for Rovaniemi, a snowball's throw from the Circle, and then attempting to go on to Petsamo, the port that is now a town of mystery.

It is reported here that Petsamo has been destroyed, and then not destroyed because it is a steel city. It remains to be seen.

Letters from Our Readers

Kerensky Lied About Finland

New York City.

Editor, Daily Worker:

"Finland was granted her independence by Alexander Kerensky," according to the New York Times of Dec. 13. An anti-Soviet meeting, called by the Social-Democratic Federation, at which Kerensky was the main speaker, is reported as follows:

"... an unprovoked, shameful, barbaric act, the characterization employed by Mr. Kerensky, who as a leader of the Russian Revolution of March, 1917, headed the provisional government that granted self-rule to Finland."

Everybody knows, of course—including the New York Times—that such a statement is a stupid lie. It was Lenin and Stalin who gave the independence to Finland after the victory of Bolshevism in the Soviet Union.

How did the Kerensky regime treat Finland? I quote from "The History of the Civil War in the U. S. S. R." the following:

"The Provisional Government did not solve the national question in Finland. . . . On March 7, 1917, it passed an act restoring the Constitution 'conferred' on the Grand Duchy of Finland by Alexander I. The Russian bourgeoisie refused to go beyond this tsarist Constitution: Finland received no new rights and the Finnish Diet was not granted supreme powers."

The Finnish people demanded autonomy. Negotiations on this question were conducted between the Finnish Diet and the Provisional Government throughout April and May, 1917. The autonomy proposed by the Diet provided for the preservation of Russian control over foreign relations and military affairs, and even for the retention of the post of Governor-General of Finland. But the Provisional Government would not agree even to this proposal. It insisted that the convocation and dissolution of the Diet should be a prerogative of the Russian Government, whose sanction should also be necessary for decisions of the Diet

affecting the interests of Russia. The right to decide which questions 'affected the interests of Russia' was to be left to the Russian Governor-General. This would in fact deprive the Diet of the last vestige of independence."

This is how Kerensky, the "Socialist," granted self-rule to Finland. A. P.

'They Can't Fool the People All the Time'

New York City

Editor, Daily Worker:

At this particular time when civil liberties are threatened and the capitalist press is attacking the trade union and labor movements in the country, my union, the Maritime Union is taking an unequivocal stand against Martin Dies and the rest of the un-American horde of red-baiters.

We see clearly that an attack upon one section of labor is an attack upon the people as a whole. At one of our last joint meetings, our elected leader Joseph Curran together with other progressive rank and file individuals took the initiative in voicing their stand against the Dies Committee.

In this critical period when the Union is negotiating with the shipowners on the new agreement, the Maritime Commission doesn't spare any slander in attempting to discredit our organization by red-baiting. This is quite in line with the policy of the big industrialists the country over and their finky stooge, Dies.

But nonetheless our membership is wise to their game and has extreme confidence in our leadership. The proof of this is the acclaim given to Curran at every union meeting and the hundreds of resolutions from ships, expression faith and confidence in the union negotiating committee and the national committee. The truth of Abe Lincoln's words shines out today more than ever before. "They can't fool the people all the time." A SEAMAN.

Communist Beet Workers Thank Daily Worker for Help Against Capitalist Propaganda on Finland

Editor, Daily Worker:

The Evans Branch of the Communist Party wishes to express its sincere thanks for the fine and complete coverage of the Daily Worker on the European situation, especially in regard to Finland. It has been of the greatest help in counteracting the capitalist press and radio in our district. We only receive one copy in our branch of ten members, as we are agricultural workers in the beet fields and at present are mostly unemployed, but that one copy gets around considerably.

In line with the Party fund drive, we have pledged to also

Evans, Colorado.

recruit ten more members in the next two months. We are handicapped by distance here, as some of us live 10 or 15 miles apart and don't have automobiles, but we'll get those recruits! But the handicap we have is not being able to put out leaflets. We cannot raise enough money to buy a mimeograph and the nearest one is in Denver, over 50 miles away. We would like to know if anyone in New York might have an old one they could donate. No matter in what condition it is we can fix it to work. This would help build the Party.

Again our thanks for the light of the Daily Worker.

EVANS BRANCH C. P.

Questions and Answers

By WILLIAM Z. FOSTER



Question—Does the Communist Party now advocate a policy of isolation for the United States?

Answer—Neither now nor before. The Communist Party understands thoroughly the complex technical, economic, political and social factors that are constantly bringing all countries of the world into closer relationship with each other. Therefore, it also knows full well that the people of the United States cannot evade war and the increasingly complicated and pressing economic and political problems, expressions of the decay of capitalism, that are now plaguing the world, by attempting to shrink back behind its own borders. Isolationism is impossible. With such an ostrich policy the United States could neither conserve the interests of its own people nor make its proper contribution to the progress of the world.

To safeguard the peace of the American people and for the United States to play a progressive peace role internationally in accordance with our country's weight in world affairs, the workers and other toilers must curb or abolish the power of the great capitalist imperialists who are now dominating this country under the Roosevelt administration. Only when the masses of workers, farmers and other toilers organize themselves solidly and are in position to shape the policies of the American government, so as to keep America out of war and to put our country into fraternal cooperation with the Soviet Union and the labor movements and peace forces of other lands, will the United States become a real factor for world peace and prosperity.

Question—How can you call Germany a war-aggressor state and the Soviet Union not an aggressor when the two of them invaded and partitioned Poland?

Answer—Hitler's invasion of Poland was in furtherance of the expansionist policy of the imperialist German bourgeoisie. With the aim of subjugating the Polish people and seizing their territory, it was basically the same kind of invasion that has been carried out against weaker peoples on innumerable occasions, in various parts of the world, and for many years past, by American, British, French, Japanese, Dutch and Belgian imperialisms.

The Red Army went into Poland, however, upon an entirely different basis. It came as the liberator of the 11,000,000 White Russians and West Ukrainians in Eastern Poland. These peoples were violently torn away from their national brothers in the U. S. S. R., during the war of 1920 by the Polish reactionaries and ever since had been bitterly oppressed by them. When the Soviet Army entered Poland the corrupt Polish Government had already collapsed and fled before the German offensive. It was a case of the White Russians and West Ukrainians either being overrun by the Nazis and exploited by them as an oppressed minority, or of being returned to their proper homeland, the U. S. S. R. The transfer to the Soviet Union of the land and population of what was formerly Eastern Poland, therefore, not only freed the workers and peasants from the domination of the brutal Polish landlords and prevented their falling under the control of the Nazis, but it also emancipated them from the curse of the capitalist system itself by incorporating them into the Socialist system of the U. S. S. R. Reaction suffered a great defeat and progress scored a big victory by the Red Army's entry into Poland.

Question—Can either the Republican or the Democratic Party be properly called the party of peace?

Answer—Neither of them is a party of peace. Despite minor differences between them, both the Democratic and Republican Parties are definitely advancing the policies, foreign and domestic, of American imperialism, and these sum up to a program of war.

Thus, in the recent lifting of the arms embargo by Congress, a definitely unneutral act which had the effect of drawing the United States closer to war, the Democratic Party, as the bourgeois party controlling the Government, was necessarily the principal instrument used by the great capitalists to put across this important feature of their war program. Although in the main the Republicans voted against lifting the embargo, this was not because they are a peace party or are faithful to the interests of big capital, but because they are striving to corral the peace-loving masses for the 1940 elections by a peace demagoguery. It is significant that when the deciding vote was finally taken enough Tory Democrats and Republicans were rallied to give a substantial majority in both houses to the Administration's proposal to lift the embargo.

One of the most fundamental planks in the war program of American imperialism is to participate in the organization of a general war of the great capitalist powers against the Soviet Union. The present Finnish situation, for example, is being vigorously used to this end, and both the Republican and Democratic Parties are falling over each other with eagerness to satisfy the anti-Soviet urgings of the great capitalists, to whom the very existence of the U. S. S. R. is a horrible nightmare. Republican and Democratic papers are indistinguishable from each other in their violent anti-Soviet propaganda. And while the Roosevelt Administration openly intervenes against the Soviet Union in favor of Finland, Republican leaders are trying to outdo the Democrats by demanding a rupture of diplomatic relations with the U. S. S. R.

Neither the Republican nor the Democratic Party is a party of peace. In order to conduct a real struggle to keep America out of the imperialist war, to help reestablish world peace and to defend the standards of the masses, it is necessary that there be built a great new anti-imperialist peace party, with the workers and toiling farmers as its main base. History places the formation of such a peace party on the agenda in the United States.

CHANGE THE WORLD

The Vets Invite Mike
And Everybody Else to
Their Shindig Tonight
By MIKE GOLD

DEAR MIKE: You've been such a swell friend of the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade all along, your column has done so much for us and for the work in behalf of our disabled comrades that I am here again to mooch a little space in your column.

In connection with fund raising for the veterans of the first World War a slogan was put forth by fund raisers—"Let us forget"—a pretty good slogan at that—and the big bourgeoisie who sent the boys across the pond certainly needed a little memory prodding. Once the game was over and the profits counted they forgot and it took a bonus march to jog their memory.

Our friends have not forgotten, and they will never forget. But they do need, naturally, to be informed of our work for the disabled veterans of the Brigade, and right now, Mike, we have very little money to spend on fancy ads.

So will you tell your readers that tonight the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade are holding a big dance and shindig at the Hotel Diplomat? What's the dance for? First it's the opening gun of the three day National Convention of the Veterans, with delegates from all over the U.S.A., Canada, Mexico and elsewhere. At a time when the capitalist press is outdoing itself in slandering everything progressive, some of its most vicious attacks are leveled at the Veterans. And this convention, or I miss my guess, will hurt some of their lying attacks right back in their faces. And that goes double for the "liberal"—"intellectual"—"nothing is too low for us" journals of opinion, so called. I'm telling you, Mike, the Vets are getting hot under the collar.

So all the vets will be at the dance, and the fun will be terrific. We have Wilbert Griffith and his ten piece orchestra. We have Ruth Christian, a blues singer so hot she can perform safely only on cold winter evenings, and surprise features that Dorothy Thompson and Walter Dillmann just wouldn't appreciate. But funny thing, Mike, you will, and how.

The Christmas season means something more to us than to most people. There are a lot of badly wounded boys in pretty tough straits these days and we hope to make enough on the dance to provide a little extra for them. We also have to take care of seven Americans still in Franco's concentration camps. That's one reason why the dance is held just before Christmas. And your readers will remember it was on Christmas Day, just three years ago, that the first American boys left for Spain. There were no bands then, Mike, no cheering crowds, no hopes for reward.

Just a bunch of the grandest guys I've ever known setting out on a long journey to fulfill their working class duty. What a wonderful thing it would be if EVERY ONE of your readers showed up at the dance so that we could really make something worthwhile to help out those badly wounded, incapacitated veterans for whom we others are responsible. Our people have to help them, Mike, for no one else will. And the working class never forgets its heroic fighters. Will you just tell them about the affair in your column, Mike? Just tell them, they'll do the rest. See you there. Salud!

FRED P. KELLER, JR.
Commander—New York Post,
Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade.

Dear Mr. Gold:

I sure like the way you exposed that faker Gabriel Heatter. The trouble with this country is there's too many fakers like this Gabriel Heatter. And when you said: "I do not think he's very bright." You sent the point right home. That would be Mr. Heatter delivering his plug for the sponsor. And what sponsors, loan sharks. Mr. Gold, I really like the way you have been exposing the fakers in the past and now. It's only in the last ten months or so that I woke up. For I have been an average American until a strike took place at where I was employed. How the police, mayor, stools and the paper with business worked against the workers to break the strike. I have lost my job in this strike never to return again to this plant. When I'll get another job I don't know. But it was worth it. For I have been living in ignorance.

Dear Mike:

Goethe didn't have his mind especially on women, not more than on the many, many other noble and worthwhile aspects of nature and society in which he was interested. In order not to have his energies drained too much from his vast and numerous interests, Goethe deliberately and more than once put fine and beautiful women out of his life and mind, to a degree which sometimes seems today unnecessary and excessive. He became, at any rate, through his pursuit of science and art (and not of women), the supreme representative of what is best and what was most progressive in bourgeois ideology. Regards—B. F.

Maxine Sullivan, Charles Ruggles, WEA, at 9:30

Jean Hershold guest of Kate Smith in "The Toy-maker of Nuremberg" over WABC at 8 tonight. Maxine Sullivan and Charles Ruggles feature guests on George Jessel program over WEA at 9:30 P. M. . . . Kay Kyser back on "Young Man With a Band" program over WABC at 10:30 by popular demand.

SHORTWAVE BAND
Radio Center, Moscow, 7:00 P.M., 6:30, 8:00, 12:00, 15:00 Mc.
BROADCAST BAND DAILY PROGRAMS
MORNING
7:00-WNYC-Symphony
WABC-Phil Cook's Almanac
7:15-WNYC-U. S. News
7:30-WQXR-Breakfast Symphony
7:45-WABC-Morning News Report
7:55-WNYC-U. S. News
8:00-WOR-Trans-Radio News
WNYC-Monitor Views the News
WEAF-A. P. News
WABC-News from Europe
WABC-News from Europe
8:15-WNYC-New York State Employment Service
8:30-WNYC-U. S. News
8:45-WNYC-Women's Page of the Air
8:55-WNYC-Around New York Today with Hal Halpern
9:00-WABC-Condensed News
WJZ-A. P. News
WQXR-Composers Hour
WNYC-Masterwork Hour
9:05-WABC-News About Women
WJZ-Woman of Tomorrow
9:15-WABC-Illion, N. Y., High School Class Club
9:30-WJZ-Breakfast Club
9:45-WNYC-U. S. News
9:55-WNYC-"Maggie of Speech," with Miss Virginia Rensselaer Sullivan
10:00-WNYC-School for Listeners, German
10:15-WNYC-News; Latest Food Prices
WABC-Lantern News Report
WQXR-Program for Women
WQXR-Hour of Request Music
11:15-WNYC-School for Listeners, German
11:30-WNYC-Safety Songs
11:45-WNYC-"You and Your Health"

AFTERNOON
12:00-WNYC-Midday Symphony
WNYC-U. S. News
12:15-WNYC-David Lowe, News of Stage and Screen
WQXR-News
12:30-WJZ-U. S. News
12:45-WNYC-National Farm-Home Hour
1:00-WABC-Condensed News
WQXR-Consumers Quiz Club
1:15-WQXR-Bank Employees Chorus
1:30-WNYC-United Parents Teachers Association Program
1:45-WNYC-School for Listeners, English Literature
WQXR-News
2:00-WJZ-Light Opera Selections

WNYC-News
2:00-WNYC-Opera News
2:15-WNYC-U. S. News
2:30-WJZ-Description of Typical New England Elementary School Christmas Party
2:45-WNYC-Tropical Rhythms
WQXR-World's Finest Music
3:00-WNYC-"Little Red School House"
WPA Program WABC-News
3:15-WNYC-Trans-Radio News
3:30-WNYC-Club Matinee
WJZ-Club Matinee
WQXR-Music of the Moment
3:45-WNYC-Distribution of Gifts from Madison St. Garden by Police Department
4:00-WNYC-Behind the Stars
WQXR-Hour of Symphony Music
4:15-WNYC-School for Listeners, Social Studies
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WJZ-Composers Hour
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Two Systems: Only One Works

Superiority of Socialist System Proved
in Book by Eugene Varga

"TWO SYSTEMS: SOCIALIST ECONOMY AND CAPITALIST ECONOMY," by Eugene Varga; translated from the German by R. Page Arnot; International Publishers, New York; 286 pp. 21.

By Anthony Wells

Since every day the world's realities are making it more and more necessary for the working peoples to choose between the two economies, the two ways of life—socialism or capitalism, the publication of this book, written in the summer of 1937, in English at this time is most fortunate.

As the title indicates, this book is a comparative survey of capitalist and socialist economy in practice during the past 20 years. That is, the cold, significant facts about economic affairs in the Soviet Union and elsewhere, compiled and arranged so that the reader may, and indeed, is compelled to draw conclusions and, in some cases, make important decisions relating to political action.

The plan of the book is simple: Fifteen chapters, each dealing with some specific phase of political economy. Within each chapter there is also a simple plan: what has happened in the past two decades in the several capitalist countries in the respective phases, what was the situation under Czarist Russia, and what has happened in the Soviet Union in the past 20 years.

These 15 phases are: capital accumulation, development of the material forces of production, industrial production, utilization of fixed capital, labor output; chronic mass unemployment under capitalism and its non-existence under socialism; markets, tendencies in agriculture, currency, tendencies to decline and of socialist construction, economic regulation, impoverishment of the proletariat and peasants under capitalism and their improvement in the Soviet Union, national and colonial oppression under capitalism and equality under socialism.

The final chapter is entitled: "From Bourgeois Democracy to Fascism; From Marxist Abolitionism to True Democracy."

As always, Varga documents his theses completely, using statistics from all reliable sources. There are 35 pages in small type of such documentation. In addition, and this is an extremely rare quality, only to be found in serious Marxist economists, the author is careful to emphasize the fact when adequate statistics are not available. A most interesting result of this care is an exposure of the venality and bankruptcy of the run-of-the-mill capitalist servant economist who accepts whatever data is given him without analyzing the procedure followed in collecting and compiling the statistics. Particularly devastating in his treatment of certain capacity - or - production figures which capitalist sources use in attempting to cover up one of the basic characteristics of capitalism in crisis—mass unemployment along with production facilities lying idle.

Having finished this factual, objective and comprehensive survey, which demonstrates conclusively the superiority and necessity of socialism and the progressively decaying nature of capitalism with all its attendant horrors for the mass of the people, the serious reader must take one of four positions:

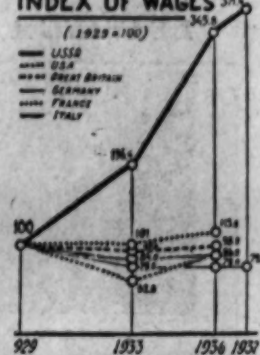
- 1.—The reader just doesn't believe Varga's figures;
- 2.—The reader doesn't care;
- 3.—The reader admits the superiority of socialism as indicated but finds that there are other, "spiritual" qualities of the human soul which socialism destroys;
- 4.—The reader believes Mr. Varga and rolls up his sleeves to bring about socialism.

To reader one, the answer is: "Produce refutation or shut up. To reader two, the answer is: "Pretty quick you can't help but care." Reader three is a special case, carefully nurtured by capitalist publicity (press, radio etc.) particularly in recent years. The reason capitalist propaganda has gone heavy on this "spiritual" junk of late is that material gains in the Soviet Union in recent years have been great.

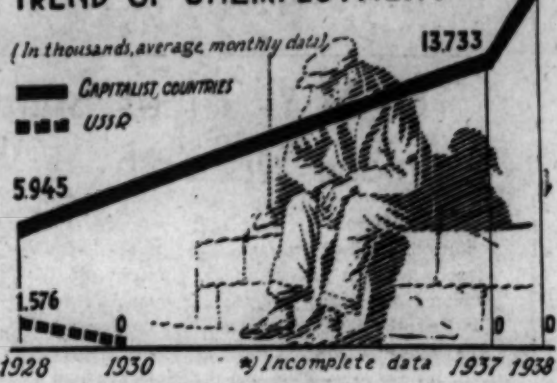
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Evening
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WQXR-Uncle Don WJZ-U. S. News
WABC-News
6:15-WNYC-Don't Forget to Remember
6:30-WNYC-Alma Kipper's Briefcase
6:45-WNYC-"Little Red School House"
WABC-Hedda Kipper from Hollywood
6:55-WNYC-Trans-Radio News
7:00-WNYC-Stamp Talk, Capt. Healey
WQXR-News WQXR-Dinner Music
7:15-WNYC-"Little Red School House"
WABC-Ed Fitzgerald
WABC-News in Europe
7:30-WNYC-Disc Jockey Sports Roundup
7:45-WNYC-Music of the Three B's
WABC-Pleasantville, Warring Orch.
WQXR-Alma Kipper Sports Review
WJZ-Joseph Marais, South African Bushveld Music
7:55-WNYC-"Five Star Final"
WABC-"I Love a Mystery"
WNYC-"Yesterday's Immortals"
WQXR-"The Travelers, Male Quartet"
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TREND OF UNEMPLOYMENT 18,000



enough to show that in a short time standards of living there will be the highest in the world. This propaganda used to say that everyone was starving in the Soviet Union, now they tell you that people's souls are starving for some kind of vague "individual freedom," perhaps like

'Golden Key' at Cameo Opens Door to New Life

THE GOLDEN KEY, directed by Alexander Ptushko. Story by Alexei Tolstoy. Music by Lev Schvartz. Photographs by Nikolai Shtrom. Full English dialogue titles. At the Cameo.

By David Platt

The Soviet Union pays particular attention to the production and exhibition of films for children and Alexander Ptushko's puppet-film "The Golden Key" while it is not a major film is nevertheless an ideal Christmas gift for children of all ages, in all lands.

Akin to the new film is from the popular story by Alexei Tolstoy, the eminent Soviet novelist who re-wrote the classic Italian legend "Pinocchio" to suit the needs of the present generation of Soviet children. In the Tolstoy-Ptushko version the "golden key" opens the secret door to the new world of socialism where children are always happy and old men are never in want.

Reminiscent of "Pinocchio"

Ptushko's animated dolls are remarkably real and the real actors are so remarkably they almost resemble puppets. We refer especially to Actor A. Shagin as Karabas-Barabas, the cruel overseer of the Puppet Theatre, whose beard is as massive as his name is long. Mack Swain, the old Mack Sennett comedian, once looked like this when he played with Chaplin in the early two-reelers years ago. But little Burattino, whom Pappa Carlo carved so miraculously out of wood is as real as the actor who played "Pinocchio" in the Federal Theatre production. Burattino is smaller but he gets into just as much trouble as Pinocchio.

The music by Lev Schvartz is delightful and children from six up will love Ptushko's Tortilla the Turtle and the fascinating Mother Turtle and become angry with the Cat and sympathize with Malvina and the other poor puppets forced to run away from Karabas-Barabas who is as bad as his name sounds. Everyone from 60 down will delight in Ptushko's Field of Miracles, Shushara the slinking fox, Duremar the leech seller, the rehearsal of the Polka Bird, the hunt for the golden key, the ship bound for the new world, the Hoopoe Bird, Mother Turtle's castle at the bottom of the sea and Pappa Carlo's strange cabin wherein lies the secret to a richer, fuller life.

"The Golden Key" is not as important a film as Ptushko's "New Gulliver" but the puppet-work is just as fascinating and this very charming fantasy on a class-struggle theme is a must for children. That "must" is the inspiration for the following suggestion to the Cameo. The box-office of the First State Children's Cinema in Moscow has a sign prominently displayed that reads: "Adults Without Children Not Admitted." I think the Cameo might have a similar notice posted outside the lobby.

"The Golden Key" is a children's film and any adult who has the nerve to enter the portals of the theatre without at least two kids hanging on to his coat-tails is not much of a man.

The magnificent annual Sports Parade held in Moscow a short while ago (this alone is worth a visit to the Cameo) and another superb short on puppet-work, the Soviet Union make up the rest of the program.

Notice to Our Readers

Howard Rushmore, whose comments on films have appeared on this page from time to time during the past few months, has been eliminated as a contributor to this page. Rushmore's official connection with the Daily Worker had ceased late in September when he was released from the performance of minor tasks in which he had been engaged.

Our decision to drop Rushmore as a contributor followed his submitting of a review of "Gone With the Wind" which was a shameless glorification of white chauvinism and an affront to the Negro people. In our discussion of the review with him, Rushmore revealed how deep-seated was his attitude on this question.

Our rejection of the type of review submitted brought forth from him statements which revealed not only his anti-Negro sentiments, but also marked anti-Semitic views.

the freedom to starve that is presented so many millions in America—the world's richest nation.

Reader four is simple: "Shake, brother."

Varga's brief introduction, itself a document worthy of standing with the summary appeals of Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin, takes a quick look at the history of class struggles in terms of the present general crisis of capitalism.

"The history of the post-war period proves to the proletariat and the middle classes that they cannot count on any improvement in their situation within the frame work of capitalism; it exhibits to them the terrible extension of chronic unemployment, the crippling uncertainty of life under capitalism: the spread of Fascist methods of oppression and the danger of a second world war whose sacrifice of blood and treasure will be incomparably greater than that of the first . . . ne concludes.

"The dictatorship of the proletariat is the indispensable condition for PLANNED ECONOMY. Socialist planned economy dispenses with the huge 'unnecessary costs' of anarchistic capitalism, leads to all the able-bodied being drawn into the process of production, and makes possible a rapid planned accumulation together with a simultaneous extension of consumption. Socialist planned economy thus leads to a rapid improvement of the material and cultural situation of the working people of the Soviet Union, while capitalist anarchy leads to the growing material, cultural and moral decline of the masses of working people."

The reader is compelled to accept such a challenge.

Stage Notes

The "Theatre in Exile" comprising a group of German, Viennese and Central European artists, announced today that they have enlarged the scope of their full-length one-night revue, "From Danube to Hudson," which will be offered at the Royal Windsor Palace, 66th Street and Broadway on Saturday January 13.

In addition to the revue proper, the group will revive an old tradition of German and Viennese show business by staging an "artists' carnival" in which the audience will be invited to participate.

Lecturing on the topic "The Theatre in a Changing World," Ben Irwin, National Secretary of the New Theatre League will start on a tour of some thirty new theatres and civic theatres from New York to Oklahoma City, beginning on January 4th, 1940.

Among the theatres to be visited by Mr. Irwin on the tour will be the Buffalo New Theatre, the Detroit Contemporary Theatre, the Chicago Repertory Group, the Milwaukee Repertory Group, the Davenport (Iowa) Theatre Guild, the Oklahoma Red Dust Players and the Philadelphia New Theatre, all of them affiliates of the New Theatre League.

Film Notes

Twentieth Century have leased the Hollywood theatre, 52nd Street and Broadway, for the first road show presentation of Darryl F. Zanuck's Technicolor production of Maurice Maeterlinck's "The Blue Bird." The picture will be shown twice daily at advanced prices and the date for the premiere has been set for January 17.

Sonja Henie's latest starring picture, "Everything Happens at Night" remains for a second week beginning today at the Roxy Theatre.

A special Fanchon and Marco Christmas stage show headlining Borrah Minevitch's Original Harmonica Rascals is also being held over on the Roxy stage.

Beginning today Abe Lyman and his Orchestra, and his All Star California Revue will appear "In Person" at the Strand, in conjunction with the Warner Bros. picture, "Four Wives" starring the Lane Sisters and Gale Page.

Music Notes

Lucy Brown, pianist, will give a recital at Town Hall this evening at 8:30. Compositions she will play include the works of Schubert, Beethoven, Handel, Orlando Gibbons, Muriel Parker and William Byrd.

Miss Brown is unusually well known to progressive audiences of New York. In 1934 she played for a benefit concert for the Angelo Herndon defense campaign. Later she performed for the benefit of the Friends of the Lincoln Brigade and other organizations.

On Feb. 25, 1939, Miss Brown made her Town Hall debut.

THE STAGE

TALLULAH BANKHEAD in THE LITTLE FOXES

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A Gay Fantasy That Attacks War Makers

ONCE UPON A TIME, by Lawrence Joseph Dugan. Staged by Richard Z. Segal. Lighting by Bolton Wilder. Presented by Hal A. Salkman. Labor Stage Theatre, 39th Street.

By Abel Gorham

According to the program notes "Once Upon a Time" is a "satirical fantasy." But as the play progresses, directly and frankly attacking the stupidity and uselessness of war, the urgency and realities of the international situation today somehow prevent the full realization of the theme on the level of fantasy.

The author demonstrates that war is man-made, and that its brutality can be prevented. All we have to do, he says, is to get rid of the generals, of those who start the wars. This rather generally stated thesis is presented effectively enough to convince the audience of its merit. With the author's method of getting rid of the generals one could find no fault, if only it would work. Laugh them out of existence, he says. This is pure fantasy. Generals have a stubborn way of not collapsing in the face of laughter. It must be further pointed out that the author's message is considerably weakened when he attributes the war-urge to a streak of instinctive, personal cruelty in a "general." This is now widely accepted as old-fashioned, having been shamed out of existence by the more brazen "profit-motive" theory.

Whatever may be the political inaccuracies of the work, it remains an intense, and honest document with a thorough hatred for war and its concomitant propaganda. One would have wished the author were more specific in naming the "generals," the financiers, the hypocritical newspapers—in short, the real causes.

In its less tense moments, the play is lit with much tenderness, and in its dealings of the ways of a man with a maid, it glows with the wistful loveliness of a woman trusting in the paternal watchfulness of the crescent moon. With the eternal yearning for love which makes its home in every youthful heart, the author deals softly, and with a gentle kindness. This stylistic quality is maintained almost throughout, excepting when its calm is destroyed by the uncouth willfulness of a half dozen army generals.

As a woman in love, Miriam Stone gave the outstanding performance of the evening, a versatile picture, played with intelligence, charm and unusual talent. Robert Busch, as her mate, played the difficult role with appropriate lightness and consistently keen perception. Other members of the cast were well chosen, and included Charles Powers, Alan Fleming, and Jewel Hart. The direction of Richard Segal was swift, and gave life to spots which in other hands might have sagged.

In all, the play is an entertaining piece, a blend of humor, love, music, and quiet lighting. Although it cannot be said that it maintains an adult level of "fantasy" it has beautiful moments, and educational spots.

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PERSONAL—BUT NOT PRIVATE

By DAVE FARRELL

Dave Decides to Go Back to His First Love

LOS ANGELES, Cal.—I'll have to admit I was brooding—not over weltschmerz—but over the greatest bit of injustice ever slapped on an athlete—this latest dirty deal handed Kenny Washington when my wife—that long suffering drudge who gets up early and gets me the breakfast, announced, "Your favorite sports writer—Dick Hyland—has just given Kenny his just dues. Listen." And then she read me Trickle Dick's opinion. "... the best all-around halfback I have seen on a football field since George Wilson. I can't say any more than that. Washington's WORST game this year was the equal of the BEST game played by any other back I saw perform. I regret that Washington was not given the credit he deserved and earned on the football field before our eyes. If it means anything to him or anyone else, may we conclude this yarn with the remark that one who has in former years picked and placed on All-American teams, various players, thinks that Kenny Washington, the football player, is as worthy of that honor as any man in uniform for the past 15 years."

Now this coming from a really great ex-All-American himself is praise indeed and should so shame that bunch of snotballs (that's about the only right word to describe them) that they'll all go dive in the middle of the deepest ocean.

However grand these words of Hyland's are, I still could not shake off the sense of doom I've been carrying. But my frost-bitten family seemed determined to get me to bed. Myself, Mama—that's the quaint name we have for her—got me a new box of carboys for Christmas and let me use one sheet immediately. David put away his clarinet and promised he wouldn't practice until I had written a piece. (PROUD FATHER'S NOTE: David was given an L.Q. last week and discovered to be the brightest they've ever had in his school and with a vocabulary worthy of a man of 20. For this reason his principal informed my wife that he should be playing a musical instrument—that he needed other interests than school. The clarinet is his idea. If David turns out to be a Benny Goodman—it'll be fine for the winter months—after the baseball season is over.—END PROUD FATHER'S NOTE.)

Determined to bat out something to earn the weekly stint, I asked in my meek mild way, "But what will I write about?"

"Why not baseball?" asked Mama.

"Now?" asked I—shooting an eyebrow just a trifle higher than his customary altitude.

"Of course now," answered my son. "These are the long lean months that try men's souls. Nothing but Finland on page one and basketball on page eight. Let's get something that makes good reading."

"Like what?" I asked.

Like the story of your pal, Arnold Stutz—who after 21 years of active service as a player—finds himself rewarded by being made a AA manager," said the Little Woman who stands some five eight and a half.

"Or why don't you tell them about the guy that's gonna run Joe DiMaggio into the second slot—pretty soon," snapped David.

"You're a way way from doing that," I answered irritated at my son's bragging. "You're ten years away."

"Who's talking about me? I mean the generation between us, Louie Novickoff, the greatest natural hitter in baseball. Why don't you tell about how the Jigger is teaching him how to play outfield. The world is going to know all about Louie pretty soon. Why not tell this kid's story from scratch?"

"Why not tell the story of Dom DiMaggio?" snapped the mother of my brood. "He's going to be up there next season. Why not the story of the other Dom—Dallandro—the mighty mite?"

"Yeah—the guy the pitchers in our loop are mighty glad has left us," added David. "And why not tell them what you think of the Judge—an old what's his name for the minor leagues—to the chain system—and how he's helped the players get a little dough."

"You've never written a real Babe Ruth series—and what he's meant to baseball," said the wife.

"You've never written about Miller Huggins, like you ought to have," insisted David. "Gee, the sample you gave me told well."

"Sunday was Ty Cobb's birthday," said my wife, who keeps track of these things. "And nowhere have I read a good Ty Cobb Raymond story."

Well, I must confess—my family has me all hopped up. I know a lot of yarns that I've never put on paper before. And so starting very, very soon—if you're interested, I'll come down off my high horse and start plowing the old Corona again.

DAILY WORKER SPORTS

NEW YORK, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1939

Yanks Way Ahead in Fielding

A. L. Figures Round Out Story of Their Supremacy

The powerful Yankees were the fielding marvels of the 1939 baseball season, American League averages showed yesterday.

The Bronx bombers led the league in fielding with a percentage of .978—598 points more than the Yanks' 1938 percentage. The Chicago White Sox finished second with .972.

The Yanks made only 126 errors. In double plays the Yanks, with 159, were second to the Washington Senators, who made 167.

The league fielding showed a decline of two points from .971 in 1938 to .969. Detroit, the fielding leader in 1938, dropped from .976 to .967 for sixth place.

The Yankees also contributed four players to the all-star defensive team—shortstop Crosetti, catcher Dickey and outfielders Selkirk and DiMaggio. The all-star fielding team, composed of players who participated in 100 or more games, and percentages:

1B—McQuinn, Browns	.993
2B—Gehring, Tigers	.977
3B—Keltner, Indians	.974
SS—Crosetti, Yankees	.968
OF—Selkirk, Yankees	.968
OF—McCosky, Tigers	.966
OF—DiMaggio, Yankees	.966
C—Dickey, Yankees	.969
P—Milner, Indians	.960

McQuinn tied with Hank Greenberg, Tigers, among the first basemen, but played in 154 games and handled 1,504 chances to Greenberg's 1,366 games and 1,289 chances.

The Yanks had the league's best keystone combination in Joe Gordon and Frankie Crosetti. Gordon finished third to Gehring and Bobby Doerr of the Red Sox in fielding, and Crosetti handled 800 total chances and was in 118 double plays.

Ken Keltner's superiority over the third basemen was a big surprise. He handled 497 chances and made only 13 errors for his .972 average.

Dickey's .969 equaled the major league record for the most consecutive years catching 100 or more games. It was his eleventh year to accomplish that feat. Milner was one of 17 pitchers with 1,000 per cent, but he handled 43 total chances, more than any of the other "perfect" hurlers.

LEAVING A TRAIL OF DANCING BASKETS



Here are the first string members of the Oregon basketball team, which since being nosed out by LIU last Saturday night at the Garden has won three straight games on the long way homeward. The boys really can put the ball in that basket, and LIU is just as happy not to meet them again.

Off the Backboard

NYU Still Piling It Up—Dayton Almost Shocks LIU—USC Coming in Strong

By Bernie Stephens

NYU Violets have had another prolific night, zooming the season total to 226 points for the four games played thus far, an average of 66 points per game.

Late Wednesday Night Scores

LIU 48	Dayton 39
Manhattan 41	Rutgers 39
Marshall (W.Va.) 43	Newark 40
Nebraska 48	Stanford 47
N.E.U. 71	Union 30
North Dakota 30	Carleton 21
Panner 55	Shepherd Tea. 31
St. Peter's 42	Jersey C. Tea. 33
Northwestern 42	Princeton 26
Ola.A.M. 38	G. Washington 33
Oregon State 57	Brig. Young 30
Selon Hall 53	Tulane 25
Slippery Rock T. 50	Mt. Union 47
So. California 38	Purdue 30
Tennessee 35	Michigan 23

Little Union was the victim Wednesday night 71-30, while LIU was having its troubles with a slick Dayton College five, finally winning out 48-39. Victors over a renowned Rhode Island State team earlier this week, the Ohio lads were expected to extend the Blackbirds, but the game battle they put up amazed all onlookers.

Dayton fielded a tiny quintet for most of the contest, losing a huge percentage of the rebound off both backboards, but managed to display ball-handling dexterity and a brand of shot-making not often witnessed in the amateur ranks. Dayton has a class A ball club, worthy of exhibition in one of the Garden doubleheaders—Ned Irish, please note.

Manhattan vs. Rutgers Wednesday night turned out a thriller, with the score netted, 39-39, and two minutes remaining. Johnny Flanagan found the net for the Bluebirds, but the whistle sounded, giving Manhattan the victory, 41-39. Jim Sarullo dropped 14 points to take high-scoring honors.

Enroute here for the first of three Christmas week doubleheaders at the Garden is the Southern California quintet, seeking revenge for last year's drubbing by LIU. The Trojans polished off a good Purdue five Wednesday night, but must meet Notre Dame tonight before continuing towards that Tuesday date with the Blackbirds. Texas University slated to open Tuesday's Garden card against Manhattan, has a pair of practice tussles in the Southwest before leaving for the metropolises.

Oklahoma Aggies are still winning. City College may yet gain a place in history—as one of the many fine teams that were taken by the Aggies. George Washington was the Wednesday victim, losing 38-33, almost a moral victory. Tulane succumbed to Seton Hall, 53-25, which might be a reflection on Southeastern basketball. Seton Hall is one of the weaker teams in this territory.

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Hutson Again Tops Don Hutson, Green Bay's great end, led the national professional league in pass-receiving for the third time in five years, statistics showed. Breaking three league records during the season, Hutson, former all-American from Alabama, holds outright or shares every pass-receiving record on the books. He caught 34 passes this year for 846 yards and six touchdowns.

Herbert vs. Wallace

Jim Herbert, of New York University, was announced yesterday as a starter in the Columbus 500 at the Columbus Council K. of C. track meet at the 13th Regiment Armory, in Brooklyn, Jan. 6. Herbert, winner of this special event two years ago, will hook up in what should be a stirring duel with Wesley Wallace, his Fordham rival; Johnny Quigley, the Manhattan freshman, and others. Wallace won the Columbus 500 in 1939—the last time it was held in meters—in a world-record time. Quigley beat Herbert twice last year, once in the Buermeier 500 at the New York A. C. meet and again in the Princeton invitation quarter-mile in June.

Franklin Beats Seward

In a thrilling, close Manhattan PSAL battle, Franklin nosed out Seward yesterday afternoon on the loser's card without its star, Brannwaite, who injured his ankle in the game practice. Seward led at the half 14-13, but Franklin held Seward scoreless in the third quarter and took the lead. Ronish led the Seward scores with 9 while Wilson of Franklin led the winners with 7.

PETER BURKE, Seward Correspondent.

Sports fans recognize Lester Rodney's "On the Scoreboard" as the most honest, hard hitting column in town.

Readers Split on Top Athlete

(Who in your opinion was the outstanding athlete of 1939? Address Sports Contest Editor, keep it under 200 words and you may win one of the five prizes. You'll get it in print anyhow.)

LEO DUROCHER!

SPORTS CONTEST EDITOR:

I think Leo Durocher should be chosen as the outstanding athlete of 1939. Durocher, after being on several different teams and gaining very little recognition on any one of them, today is the most talked about player of the year.

He took a team which had spent a long part of its career in the second division and brought it up to third place. Brooklyn was a good team, but they never had anyone to pep 'em up. When Lippy LeD, undoubtedly the peppiest manager around, came along there were fireworks in the Dodger camp. If any one of his players ever made an error, Durocher wouldn't say a word, but would put his arm around the guy and tell him to try harder.

This would give a feller a lot of confidence and believe you me, he would try harder. You see that is the kind of spirit a team must have in order to be on top. I'm sure Durocher has given his men that spirit—and watch the Dodgers play the Yanks next year in the World Series!

Sincerely,
HAROLD GOLDKLANG,
Middle Village, L. I.

JOE DIMAGGIO!

SPORTS CONTEST EDITOR:

The outstanding athlete of 1939 is Joe DiMaggio. Joe batted a cool .381 although he missed many games at the beginning of the season.

Joe came through in the clutch time and time again. When it comes to fielding, he was phenomenal. I recall when I saw him make the best catch of the season. The Yankees were playing Detroit. It was the ninth inning and Hank Greenberg, who hadn't gotten the sign of a hit all day, was up at bat. Hank drove a tremendous drive about 461 feet. Joe, playing about 370 feet from home plate, turned around and really started to go for the ball. When he reached the bleacher wall he dove against it, one hand against the wall and his gloved hand reaching for the ball.

To the amazement of the fans, the ball dropped into his glove. I never saw such a spectacular catch as that and only one man could do that and that man is DiMaggio.

Joe also has a deadly throwing arm and any opposing player must think twice before he tries to stretch a hit. There is no doubt that Joe DiMaggio is the outstanding athlete of 1939.

Sincerely,
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